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CHANGE IN POLICY OF COLONY?

RUMOURS REGARDING IMPORTANT POSTS.

CADETS NOT TO GET THEM IN NEAR FUTURE.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Rumours of impending changes in the policy of the Government regarding certain administrative appointments, and of some of the quiet members of the C.I.C. Service likely to be affected by proposals said to be contemplated, were not confirmed when inquiries were made at the Colonial Secretary's office by the *Telegraph* this morning.

The Government spokesman intimated that no changes in the existing procedure were "likely to be made," but suggestions to the contrary have been freely circulated and discussed.

Special Knowledge.

It has been suggested that certain decisions have been reached regarding the appointment of officers of the Government to headships of departments where specialised knowledge is required, and that as a result, no cadet will, in future, be appointed as President of the Sanitary Board or as Colonial Treasurer. It is also possible that the next Captain Superintendent of Police, or Inspector-General as he is now known, will not be a cadet.

Information, of course, is scanty. It is stated, however, that experts may be appointed from home to these positions in the near future.

"No Definite Change."

Our enquiries this morning drew the statement that no definite change in official appointments is contemplated. It was pointed out that if no cadets were appointed to the positions mentioned, no precedent would be set, as officers other than cadets have, in the past, occupied the positions of Colonial Treasurer, Captain Superintendent of Police and President of the Sanitary Board.

It is, however, interesting to note that while all Colonial Treasurers from 1842 to 1887 were not cadets, it has been the settled policy of the Government since Mr. P. H. A. Forth retired from the position after fourteen years' service, to nominate cadets for the post.

Past Policy.

The same facts obtain with regard to the Sanitary Board. From 1908 to the present day, with the exception of a brief period when Mr. Adam Gibson occupied the office temporarily, the head of the Sanitary Board has always been a cadet. The present holder is Mr. W. J. Carlie.

Likewise, the Police Department has been under the control of a cadet officer for over thirty years. The first cadet officer to get the appointment was Mr. W. M. Deane in 1868. He remained as Police Chief until 1891 when Major-General A. H. A. Gordon filled the vacancy. The latter remained for two years only, however, since when, starting with Sir Francis Henry May, later a Governor of the Colony, the appointment has always been given to a cadet.

Not a Precedent, But—

The general practice over a period, on the average, of forty years, has been to appoint cadets to control all important Government Departments with the exception of the Public Works Department and the Colonial Secretary's office. It cannot, therefore, be an adequate denial of the rumours now in circulation to point out that no precedent would be established.

Rumours of impending changes are concerned solely with the three departments named. It is interesting to note that the following departments are controlled by cadet officers:—Attorney-General (Sir Joseph Kemp), Police Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), Treasury (Mr. C. McI. Messer, Mr. M. J. Green acting), S.C.A. (Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Mr. R. A. C. North acting), Education (Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. Ralphs acting), Imports and Exports (Mr. J. D. Lloyd).

REGENCY CRISIS EPISODE.

QUEEN-DOWAGER'S RETORT TO COUNCIL.

RUMANIAN SENSATION.

Berlin, Oct. 15.
Considerable sensation has been caused throughout the whole of Rumania by the revelation of a remarkable episode in the course of the recent regency crisis, according to advices received to-day from Rumanian representatives in Bucharest.

According to the Rumanian newspapers, Queen Marie, the Dowager-Queen, intimated to the Government her desire to join the Regency.

The Council of Government is reported to have agreed to support her provided that Prince Nicholas, the younger brother of Prince Carol, resigned.

The Queen is said to have retorted vigorously, refusing to consider such "paltry bargaining" and pointing out that she was solely actuated by a desire to give Prince Nicholas advisory support, and that she had no wish to gain a predominating role for the Royal Family in the Regency Council.

Government circles declare that the attitude of the Queen-Dowager is unprecedented, and add that it is considered that Parliament has been insulted by a member of the Royal Family not holding an official position.

It is believed that more will be heard of the incident.—*Reuter.*

A later message received from Bucharest states that the original proposal emanated from the Premier, M. Maniu, not from Queen Marie herself.

The newspaper *Universal* states that following the death of Dr. Buzdugan, the Government indirectly suggested that Queen Marie should replace Prince Nicholas, and that, as compensation, she should nominate two members of the Council.—*Reuter.*

SOVIET CONSULAR RAID SEQUEL.

HEAVY SENTENCES PASSED AT HARBIN.

FIVE GET 9 YEARS.

Shanghai, Oct. 16.
It is reported by *Reuter's* correspondent at Harbin that the Chinese courts delivered judgment yesterday afternoon in the case arising out of the raid on the Soviet Consulate-General on May 27th last, when thirty-eight persons on the premises were arrested, including a Chinese.

The trial started on October 2nd and concluded on October 10th, the judges reserving their decision. Thirty-seven of the thirty-eight accused were adjudged to be guilty of (a) violation of the Three People's Principles laid down by the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and (b) violation of the law forbidding subversive assemblage.

Five of the accused, Russians, were sentenced to nine years' imprisonment, twenty-one of the accused were sentenced to seven years' imprisonment, seven of them were sent to prison for five years, while the four women "conspirators" were sentenced to imprisonment for two years.

The man found not guilty was a Chinese.

It is expected that the convicted persons will lodge an appeal against the verdict and the sentences.—*Reuter.*

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is now highest over North Japan. The typhoon is situated in the eastern part of the Balintang Channel, moving N.W. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—N.E. winds, moderate, freshening; fine to cloudy.

Police (Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. T. H. King acting), P.M.G. (Mr. N. L. Smith), Sanitary Department (Mr. W. J. Carlie).

In all, the Colony to-day has thirty-six cadets in its service, five Class I, twenty-three Class II, and eight unplaced, at an estimated cost in 1930 of \$362,594.

CHENGCHOW FALL IMMINENT?

RAPID ADVANCES BY KUOMINCHUN.

YEN HSI-SHAN'S ATTITUDE VERY UNCERTAIN.

NANKING'S ACTIVITY.

Harbin, Oct. 16.
Though the movement of troops and munitions continues unabated, perfect quiet prevails in Harbin, which is supposed to be one of the first objects of the Kuominchun offensive.

Latest arrivals of troops include the Sixth Division from Anhwei, who are being transported to the front as rapidly as possible.

All freight trains and local passenger train services have been suspended on the Kinkin Railway owing to the extensive troop movements, but the through expresses are still being maintained. It is, however, expected that even those will be stopped very shortly.

Ho Ying-ching, in Command.

General Ho Ying-ching, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's chief lieutenant, arrived at Harbin quietly on Sunday by aeroplane from Nanking. He was accompanied by one foreign adviser and he refused to grant an interview, only intimating that he was taking over complete command of the Nationalist troops at the front.—*Reuter.*

Shanghai, Oct. 15.
The First Division and the Ninth Division of the Nationalist forces left Harbin on Monday for Wushinkwan on the Hupeh-Honan frontier.

The Kuominchun forces are reported to be advancing rapidly in Honan, centring on Chengchow, which is occupied by Nanking troops, who are commanded by Tang Seng-chi.

Chengchow to Fall?

General Sun Liang-shin is directing the movements of the Kuominchun and he has twelve divisions and seven independent brigades under his control. The main force is being directed against Chengchow, which is almost certain to fall.

The Chief of the Nanking Air Department, General Cheung Wai-shung, formerly of Canton, is leaving for Chengchow with a squadron of eight aeroplanes to assist in the defence of Chengchow, while General Ho Cheng-chun, whose unsatisfactory interview with Yen Hsi-shan has increased anxiety in Nanking, will go to Chengchow in command of the Government troops.

Feng Story Scoffed At.

Usually well-informed circles are inclined to scoff at the report that Yen Hsi-shan has made a prisoner of Feng Yu-shiang. It is pointed out that not only are Yen and Feng the closest of friends, but Feng Yu-shiang has sufficient Kuominchun troops in the immediate vicinity of Taiyuan to forcibly release him should the necessity arise.

Peking, Oct. 16.
Up to this morning, there is no shred of news from foreign or Chinese sources to confirm Chow Tai-wen's statement that Feng Yu-shiang is held virtually a prisoner by Yen Hsi-shan.

The latest information available here is that the relations between Feng and Yen continue to be cordial.—*Reuter.*

Shanghai, Oct. 15.
The interview at Taiyuan between General Ho Cheng-chun and Marshal Yen Hsi-shan has produced no real results. Marshal Yen Hsi-shan refused to assume duty as Commander-in-chief of the Government troops in North China. At the same time, he gave Ho Cheng-chun to understand that he had also refused to accept the Kuominchun's offer to become joint C.I.C. with Feng Yu-shiang in the war with the National Government.

Kuominchun Strength.

General Ho Cheng-chun told Pressmen to-day that the attitude of Marshal Feng Yu-shiang and of the Kuominchun Divisional Commanders is distinctly anti-Nanking, but he believes that although the Kuominchun claims to possess 400,000 troops it is far more likely that the Kuominchun forces do not exceed 100,000. General Ho added that anti-

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RUSSIAN ATTACK ON SUNGARI.

NEW VERSION OF SINKING OF GUNBOATS.

HEAVY SOVIET LOSS.

Tokyo, Oct. 16.
An official dispatch received by the Japanese War Office from Harbin, based on Chinese communications, gives a slightly different version of the clash between the Chinese and the Soviet forces on the Amur River.

Yesterday it was reported that three Chinese gunboats had been sunk and that five hundred of their crews had been drowned.

According to the Japanese dispatch, the Soviets attacked early on the morning of October 11th, with seven gunboats and twelve aeroplanes. Severe fighting took place and three Chinese gunboats were sunk, resulting in about two hundred men losing their lives.

"It seems," says the report, that three Russian gunboats were also sunk.

The dispatch adds that the Soviet has sent out a wireless broadcast message to the effect that they have landed marines and occupied a Chinese town at the confluence of the Amur and the Sungari, the occupation taking effect on October 13th.

The remainder of the Chinese river fleet withdrew up the Sungari.—*Reuter.*

Harbin, Oct. 16.
A message received by the Rengo News Agency says that the Chinese Commander-in-Chief of the North-Eastern Fleet is reported to have arrived at Fuchin, to which point a brigade numbering 2,400 men has been despatched for the purpose of coping with the tense situation in the neighbourhood of Lingkiang.

Lingkiang is situated at the confluence of the Sungari and Amur Rivers, and was occupied by Soviet forces on Sunday.

The report adds that the Chinese are advancing towards Lingkiang for the purpose of recapturing the place, as the Soviet forces are able therefrom to prevent Chinese ships navigating the rivers.—*Reuter.*

DISPUTE OVER FIVE CENTS.

HAWKER GETS COMPENSATION FOR SCALDING.

Following a dispute over a bowl of congee, a Chinese was alleged to have smashed the vessel in which the congee was being cooked, and at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, he faced a charge of breaking and damaging the property of a hawk.

The defendant denied the charge.

According to Inspector Stimson, the defendant purchased a bowl of congee for two cents and tendered a five-cent piece. He was given three coppers change, but insisted that he had given the hawk a ten-cent piece. During the quarrel, the defendant kicked the cooking pot and caused the boiling congee to scald the hawk's foot.

On conviction, the defendant was ordered to pay \$1 compensation and also to sign a bond of \$50 to be of good behaviour for six months.

FIVE-POWER NAVAL CONFERENCE.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S ACCEPTANCE.

Rome, Oct. 15.
The Italian Government has replied to the British invitation to the five-power naval disarmament conference to be held in London in January next.

The Note accepts the invitations and notes the British Government's proposal to communicate its viewpoint regarding the subjects to be discussed at the conference.

Pending the receipt of this communication, the Italian Government preserves the right to inform the British Government regarding its viewpoints on the same subjects.—*Reuter.*

SWATOW HOLIDAY DISASTER.

THIRTY ODD DROWNED OR INJURED.

BRIDGE COLLAPSES UNDER A PROCESSION.

PANIC IN DARKNESS.

Swatow, Oct. 13.
Swatow celebrations of the Double Tenth anniversary were marred by a tragic incident, in which several lives were lost by drowning, owing to the partial collapse of a bridge over a branch of the Han river.

Wednesday and Thursday were declared Public holidays in honour of the Tenth, and the streets were all gaily decorated with flags and bunting, the most notable and picturesque display being outside the offices of the Seamen's Union.

In addition to strings of bunting, this building had a large model of a steamship displayed, the whole beautifully illuminated from within.

The day passed off quietly except for the inevitable crackers, and at 7.30 p.m. all the schools, labour unions, police and military assembled at the New Park named after Sun Yat-sen, to form a lantern procession.

Lantern Procession.

This was the first such procession which has been allowed for some time. Last year the military authorities refused to allow a similar venture owing to their fear of its providing an opportunity for Communist disturbances, and it speaks well for the increased feeling of peace and security here that there was no hindrance or objection, made to the Lantern Procession this year.

The approach to the New Park from which the procession was to start, lies over an old wooden bridge which spans one of the numerous branches of the Han river, which form the Swatow delta. This bridge is only used to any great extent some half dozen times a year, and had been allowed to fall into a very poor state of repair.

Bridge Collapses.

The result was that just as the procession which had formed in the park was starting on its way to the town, a fairly large section almost in the middle of the bridge gave way and left a gaping hole some 10 feet by 5 feet in size.

The people on that part of the bridge of course at once fell through into the water, and the press of people behind pushed many more over the brink. It is stated that between 30 and 40 people fell into the river, and several were badly hurt by striking the wooden supports as they fell.

Soldiers promptly rushed to the rescue and helped in keeping back the crowd and in getting out some of those who had fallen into the water. Coolies from the various Charitable Guilds also did good work.

The work of rescue was rendered much more difficult by a general panic, and by the fact that the tide was at flood and the place very poorly lighted. An eyewitness, describing the scene, stated that owing to the comparatively small size of the hole in the bridge, those who fell through first were held under the water by the weight of those who toppled in after them.

Family Tragedy.

So far eight bodies have been recovered, but it is thought that several more people were drowned. The bodies recovered are those of a man and woman, three small children, and two older children. The woman and one child—a boy of 10—have been identified as the wife and child of a well-known proprietor of a Medicine shop in Swatow. They were not taking part in the procession but were standing on the bridge to see it pass.

The husband and another child were standing a foot or two away and escaped without injury.

The bodies have been brought to the Tai Hong Temple—one of

TO PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES.

PRIME MINISTER'S FAREWELL MESSAGE.

UNITED FOR PEACE.

Ottawa, Oct. 15.
Issuing a farewell message to the people of the United States on his arrival at Niagara Falls this morning, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the British Prime Minister, who is now the guest of Mr. Mackenzie King in Canada, said it was impossible to mistake the meaning of the cordiality of the American people.

He recognised that in overwhelming manner during his visit to President Hoover they were hailing the object of his visit and cheering the messages of goodwill which he carried to the United States from His Majesty the King and all sections of the community of Great Britain.

He had tried to make it plain, he said, how earnestly the citizens of the British Commonwealth of Nations share in the prayers of the people of the United States that war shall cease.

The response of the United States had been a great inspiration.

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Later.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was greeted by cheering crowds on his arrival at Toronto. He faces a strenuous programme similar to that arranged in the United States.

The Premier previously was officially welcomed at the entrance to Canada in the centre of the International Bridge over the Niagara Falls.—*Reuter.*

SEVERE BLOW TO MALAYA.

SIR HUGH CLIFFORD GIVING UP GOVERNORSHIP.

WIFE'S GRAVE ILLNESS.

Singapore, Oct. 15.
Owing to the grave illness of Lady Clifford, H. E. Sir Hugh Clifford, M.C.S., G.C.M.G., G.B.E., the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Straits Settlements, has invited the Secretary of State for the Colonies to terminate his appointment.

His Excellency has received permission to leave the Colony forthwith and to hand over the administration of the Government to the Colonial Secretary.

Sir Hugh and Lady Clifford will sail from Singapore on the a.s. *Karmala* on Friday, the 18th instant.—*British Naval Wireless.*

Sir Hugh Clifford, who is 62 years of age, has been Governor of the Straits Settlements since 1927. He has proved himself an able administrator, who has seen much service in the Malay States and elsewhere. He was Governor of North Borneo in 1900-01, Colonial Secretary in Ceylon for several years and later, Governor there. From 1912 to 1924, he was Governor of Nigeria. He is the author of many admirable studies of native life among the Malays.

Lady Clifford, who married Sir Hugh in 1910, was formerly Mrs. de la Pasture, the well-known author of several novels and plays.

Swatow's Largest Benevolent Societies—for Identification.

The gap in the bridge was hastily barricaded off and the procession went on.

Monotonous Affair.

Although well attended and lanterns being carried in great profusion, the procession as a whole was disappointing. A few picturesque lanterns were to be seen and the Military section gave a demonstration of "Slogan Shouting" such as has not been heard for a year or two here, but on the whole the procession was monotonous and straggling, and consisted largely of school children. One could not help feeling that the whole affair was regarded much more as a duty than as a pleasure.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

DIPHTHERIA NOW ON INCREASE.

MORE BRITISH CASES REPORTED.

EPIDEMIC NOT EXPECTED, HOWEVER.

ADVICE TO PUBLIC.

Diphtheria is figuring fairly prominently in the current returns of notifiable disease in the Colony. Last week, three cases (one British and the others Chinese), were recorded, all terminating fatally. On Monday, two further Chinese cases were notified, whilst yesterday's return shows three more cases, two of these being British and the other Chinese.

Last week's health return also shows six cases of typhoid, all Chinese (two imported), of which two were fatal. There was also one case of small-pox and one of cerebro-spinal fever, both Chinese and both non-fatal.

Yesterday, a further Chinese case of small-pox and one of cerebro-spinal fever were also notified.

Dr. Fawcett Interviewed.

Interviewed by the *Telegraph* this morning with regard to the incidence of diphtheria, Dr. H. A. Fawcett said it was usual to get a certain number of cases at this time of the year, but he was a little worried about it.

Dr. Fawcett went on to deal with methods adopted at Home for combating the disease, pointing out that in schools, where outbreaks chiefly occurred, swabs were applied to the tonsils or the back of the nose and from those swabs it could be ascertained whether germs were present or not. That was being done at Stonecutters, continued Dr. Fawcett, where there had been an outbreak. By these means carriers of the disease could be traced and isolated. With the swab precautions taken at Stonecutters, the disease should be quickly stamped out.

Dr. Fawcett also explained a susceptibility test carried out among school children at Home. Some people, he added, never seemed to get the disease, but others contracted it whenever it was going. By means of the test it was possible to ascertain those children who were susceptible and they were inoculated in the usual way as for typhoid. The objection to inoculation, however, was that the immunity was for such a short time and did not last a year. That procedure was also now carried out among nurses in hospital.

Anti-Toxin Treatment.

"Dr. Fawcett emphasised the value of anti-toxin treatment, saying that if it was taken in time it was one of the finest cures in the whole of medicine and could practically bring people back from death's door."

Advice given to Hongkong residents was that if a person had a sore throat or any signs of it, he should immediately go to a doctor, get his throat swabbed, and thereby ascertain whether germs were present, and, if germs were found, inoculation could be effected.

It starts just like an ordinary sore throat and if taken in time it can be cured," said Dr. Fawcett. Sometimes, although a person might have recovered from the disease itself, it left the patient with a weak heart or paralysis, but it was certainly the wisest thing to go to a doctor if a sore throat was contracted.

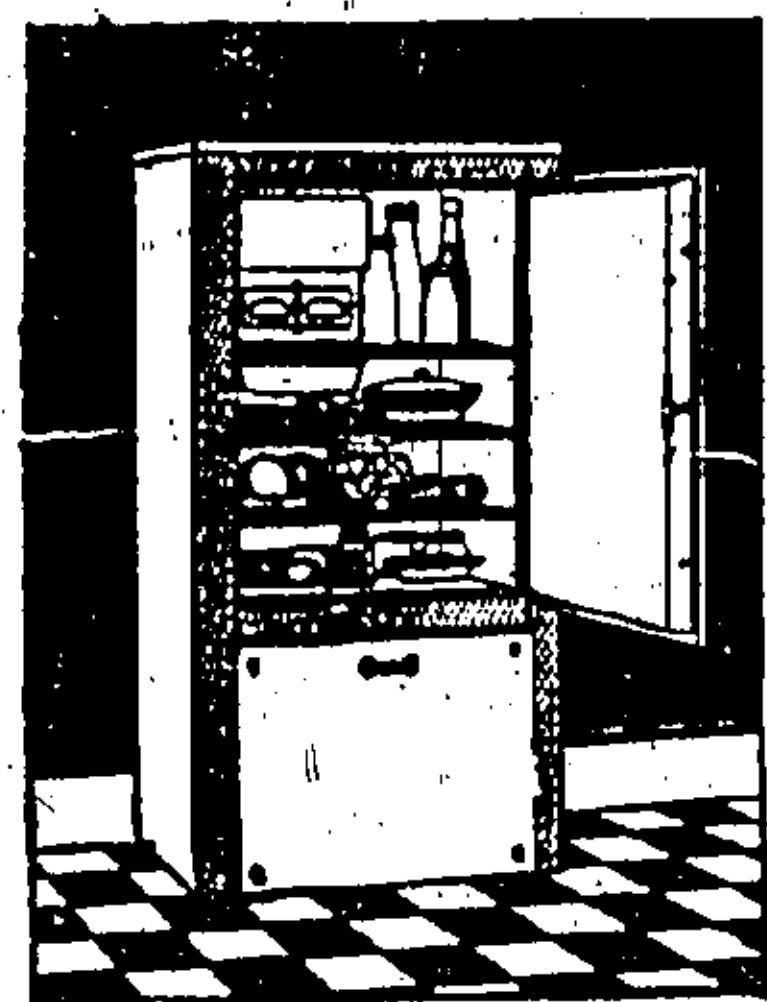
Dr. Fawcett continued that in Hongkong the total number of cases notified last year was 90, these being 64 Chinese and 26 non-Chinese. There was generally a considerable drop in summer.

More Cases Recently.

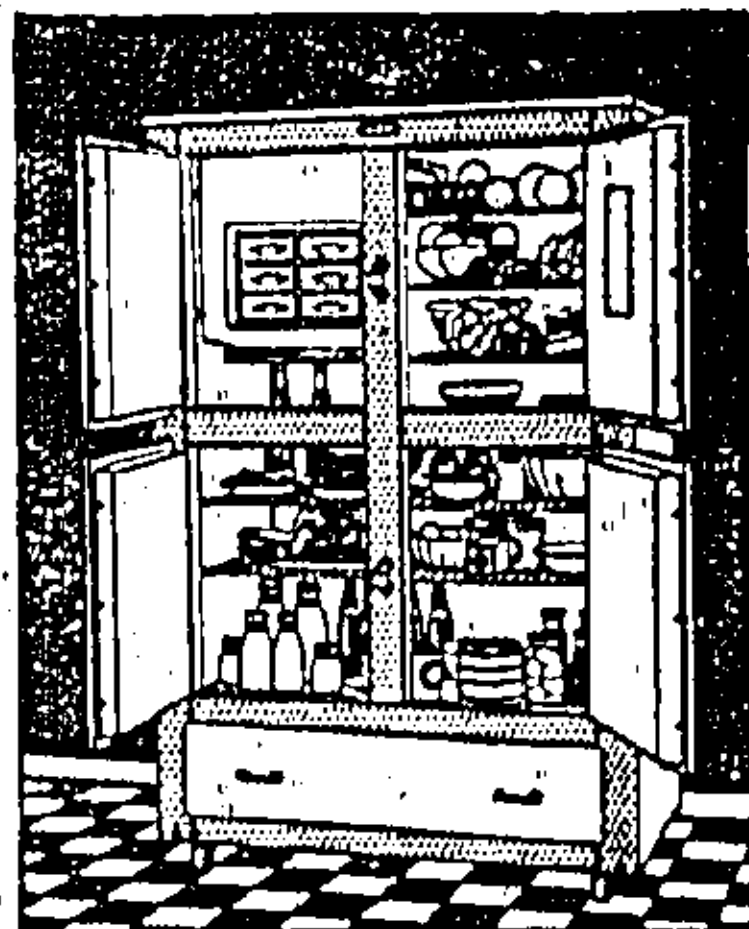
He would say that the highest incidence of the disease occurred from November to February, although it was a disease that was present all the year round, there had been rather more cases than usual lately and the incidence was showing a slight increase.

Everything that could be done was being done, but they could not do very much because it was so difficult to trace. It was a disease of cold and damp seasons, general.

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FUTURE OF FANLING HUNT.**INCORPORATION AS A CLUB AGREED TO.**

A tribute to the late Dr. Pierce Grove was paid by Mr. M. M. Watson, who presided at a general meeting of the Fanling Hunt, which took place yesterday evening in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd.

The proposed new organisation of the Hunt was explained at some length, and it was decided to form it into a club.

Among those present were Messrs. M. M. Watson (Chairman), J. D. Hutcheon (Hon. Sec.), E. M. Hazeland, W. T. Stanton, Dr. MacGown, Messrs. T. W. T. Beck, A. H. Potts, Major Bennett, Lt. Col. Little, Major Lake, Dr. Durran, Dr. Anderson, Messrs. R. Grieve, and W. E. MacKenzie.

Mr. Watson stated that owing to various difficulties, it was considered expedient that the Hunt should be incorporated as a club, so that whatever responsibilities there were could be undertaken by the Hunt as a whole. The name suggested was "The Fanling Hunt and Race Club."

Dr. MacGown proposed, and Mr. Stanton seconded, that the name be adopted, and the motion was carried unanimously.

In the course of his address to the gathering the chairman said:

"It has probably been present to the minds of all of us since entering this room that this year we meet without the presence of one who was largely responsible for our existence, the late Dr. Pierce Grove."

"I feel that everybody present who knew him must of necessity have been his personal friend and it is unnecessary for me to enlarge on the charm and personality which endeared him to us and to all with whom he came into contact."

"It has been very largely due to him, who imbued the Fanling Hunt with his own spirit, that the Fanling Hunt has been such a very pleasant thing to be connected with and I feel sure that if we carry on in the spirit which has hitherto animated the Hunt we shall not only secure to ourselves the continuance of the present friendly and sporting relationship but we will also be erecting a living testimony to his memory."

Mr. Watson then proceeded to review the past season's activities, and continued:

Proposed Incorporation.

The first meeting of the Fanling Hunt was in February, 1926, since which date the Hunt has held steeplechase and other meetings regularly during the season at Kwanti. Up to the end of last season, the meetings were held under the responsibility of the joint masters or when they were away of some other subscriber to the Hunt. So long as Dr. Pierce Grove was with us he assumed the responsibility for the meetings, but he later, when the various activities of the Hunt became rather too big for one man to look after, and one or two subscribers had undertaken the task of running particular branches of the Hunt, expressed the opinion that the Hunt should be put on a more definite basis.

At the present time there is no one who can possibly put the work in that he did and it has therefore become more necessary to arrange for the affairs of the Hunt to be properly organized.

In addition it is necessary for the purposes of the Hunt to make financial arrangements with numerous different people and concerns and in the present state it is only possible to do this by individual subscribers assuming responsibility in these arrangements, and it has therefore been considered expedient that the Hunt should be incorporated in the usual manner, as a Club so that the responsibilities referred to should be undertaken by the Hunt as a whole. It would also mention that this greatly facilitates the making of such arrangements, as the Club, instead of being a collection of individuals whom it may quite likely be difficult to ascertain become one entity with definite members."

It is therefore proposed that we should incorporate the Hunt under the name of The Fanling Hunt and Race Club and a form of Memorandum and Articles for this purpose have been drafted. I will mention a few of the salient points with a view of putting the draft before you for your approval. The draft has been lying with the Secretaries for the last fortnight for the inspection of subscribers.

The Club is formed as one which is limited by guarantee, that is to say, the members undertake, in the event of the Company being wound up, to contribute, if the assets are insufficient, enough up to a fixed limit, towards making up any deficiency. It

is also provided in the Memorandum that the Club shall not distribute any income or property amongst the members by way of dividend or otherwise by way of profit to the members but that such income or property must be solely applied towards the promotion of the objects of the Club. This is the usual manner in which Clubs of this kind are incorporated. The objects of the Club are fully set forth in the Memorandum and are of course a restatement of the objects that the Hunt has had up to the present.

\$20 Per Annum.

The Articles of Association are for the most part those which are common to a Club of this kind and there are only one or two points which I think need be mentioned. The most important point probably is the subscription which it is suggested should be \$20 per annum, payable on October in every year, with an entrance fee of \$10. The subscription may be altered in general meeting.

The minimum subscription has heretofore been \$25, but some subscribers have in fact given more than this sum, but it is probable that, once the subscription is fixed in a formal way, the extra subscription, which was entered as a donation, that used to be paid will fade away and it is therefore necessary that the Committee should consider and after consideration, it was agreed that the subscription could not be put at less than the sum suggested and it is hoped that an increase of membership will more than make up the deficiency. Needless to say you will still be permitted to donate.

It is proposed that as the present subscribers have not paid any entrance fee that such fee shall be waived for new members up to the end of this year.

It is also provided that the Committee may extend the privileges of the Club to Commissioned Officers in the Naval, Military and Air Services of the Empire and in particular on payment of such subscription or group subscription as the Committee may determine. I may mention that it has been the practice for some units in Hongkong to pay one subscription as a regiment, which entitles all the officers of that regiment to become subscribers in the same manner as they may in most of the other Clubs of the Colony and it is provided for that they may if they wish to do so but they may if they wish to do so the privileges of the Club on application to the Committee provided that if the lady has a father, husband, brother or guardian resident in the Colony one of these at least must be a member or subscriber."

The Committee.

The Committee of the Club, it is proposed, shall consist of five ex officio members and three ordinary members. Ex officio members will be the Chairman, the Clerk of the Course, the Manager of the Race Course, the Manager of the Country Events and the Manager for the Hunters Arms, and Messrs. B. D. F. Beith, E. M. Hazeland, W. T. Stanton, Dr. J. C. MacGown and Mr. T. C. T. Beck have respectively very kindly agreed to undertake to perform the duties of these offices and in addition the ordinary members, it is proposed, shall be Messrs. J. K. Bousfield, A. H. Potts and myself. Most of the ex officio members of this Committee have been in fact performing the duties now to be undertaken by them, for the last year or two and Messrs. Bousfield and Potts apart from doing everything they have also generally for the Hunt have at various times in the absence of the joint Masters run the race meetings in addition to acting as huntsman and whipper-in respectively.

I think I can say that all these gentlemen have performed these duties to the utmost satisfaction of the remainder of us and although I know that it has been more or less a labour of love to them they certainly deserve and receive our hearty thanks for their work."

It is with a view to preserving the continuity of the ideas generally held by the present subscribers that it is proposed that so long as they are willing to do so that the present members of the Committee should continue in office but this provision can of course if subsequently the requisite majority of members desire it be altered in such manner as they may think fit.

The point, however, will probably be in what manner we can retain the services of the ex officio members of the Committee and of Messrs. Bousfield and Potts and that we shall be very fortunate so long as we are able to do so.

It is also provided that the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club, who have always acted in loco parentis towards us, should be asked to nominate one of their body to the Committee, a suggestion which was made by Mr. Beith and one which in practice should materially assist the Club as I have no doubt that the Jockey Club will continue to be in harmony with the objects of this Club as they have since the inception of the Hunt.

Improvements Effected.

Mr. Hazeland has put a great deal of work into the steeplechase course and a great deal of it, although it is unfortunately not always the case, can be seen at a glance, and I can assure you that you will be very pleasantly surprised at the new look of lawns and bright flowers that will enchant your eyes the next time you visit Kwanti and also the improvements to the course and jumps will further appeal to the riders.

For our next meeting on November the 24th, Mr. Stanton has drawn up what should prove an excellent programme and it is hoped that everyone interested in the Hunt will do their best to support the meeting and thus give a good impetus to the season which will open with the meeting. The cares of the Hunters Arms have not been lifted from the shoulders of Mr. Beck even during the summer months as there has been a small but persistent band of subscribers who have visited the Arms from time to time and helped to brighten the lives of those who dwell therein or round about and at the present time he is busily engaged on preparing for the new season by various additions and improvements calculated to enhance the attractions of this hospitality by the crossroads. He would not like me to pass on, however, without a reference to the work done by Mr. Hazeland who has been letting in the air and shutting it out in various parts of the

building which will greatly add to the amenities of the house. Finance Questions. The discussion of finance has not been a strong point of the Hunt as we were content to leave it to "Father" who spared no trouble in getting in the money and making it go further than seemed humanly possible but I must shortly refer to the present position.

The question of rent for the Hunters Arms and also a claim for rent of the race-course will need to be dealt with, but it is only due to the fact that so far as I can understand the position, the ownership of these properties has not been clearly settled that these matters have not been cleared up ere now.

I gather, however, that the settlement of these matters is either effected or about to be and it will therefore be the duty of the Committee so soon as they can to dispose of these questions.

As you are doubtless aware the finances of the Hunt have from time to time considerably fluctuated but have always been steady in their need for more but I hope that this season may acquire comparative wealth after the initial cost of preparing the stands, Hunters Arms etc., for the coming season has been met.

You will remember that last year after what promised to be a most successful season with Col. Ponsonby hunting the pack sickness developed amongst the hounds, with the result that we lost practically the entire pack.

It was not thought expedient by those who have been attending to the affairs of the Hunt in the off season to embark on any expense for new drafts for various reasons that were advanced on consulting the general body of subscribers.

The remaining hounds the Col. and Officers of the Somerset Light Infantry have taken over for the time being and they have been very kindly looking after them for some time and this winter they propose to run a drag hunt which will be a great acquisition to the activities of the Hunt at Fanling and some will remember that we had some very successful drags a couple of years ago.

A Permanent Course.

It is hoped that sufficient funds will be available not only for the purpose for which they have hitherto been used but also to provide something in the nature of permanent point-to-point courses in the country for the season which may be done probably at no great expense, one or two such courses are already no doubt visualised by some of us and such courses would apart from providing for the riders a course they can study and use their wits upon provide a morning or afternoon's racing that will be

JAPAN & THE NAVAL CONFERENCE.**A DEFINITE REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS WANTED.**

Tokyo, Oct. 15.

The draft of Japan's reply to the British invitation to an arms conference, is expected to be approved at to-day's Cabinet conference, though the reply will probably not be despatched till to-morrow. Pending final approval, officials are reticent in discussing the proposed contents, but the vernacular papers, which are believed to have inside information, indicate that the reply will contain no reservations but will emphasise (1) Japan's satisfaction that Britain and America have reached a basic agreement; (2) readiness to participate in accordance with the spirit of the Anti-War Pact; (3) readiness to do everything possible by preliminary conversations to clear the way for successful conclusion of the conference and (4), a sincere desire that the conference will aim at a definite reduction of naval armaments.

Although it was suggested that Japanese insistence on the seventy per cent ratio of cruisers and opposition to the abolition of submarines, would be noted in the reply, it is believed the suggestion has been definitely dropped, though Japan's stand in this connexion remains unaltered.—Reuter.

Cabinet Approves.

Tokyo, Oct. 15.

The Cabinet at this afternoon's session approved the final draft of the reply to the disarmament invitation which will be despatched to Ambassador Matsudaira for delivery as soon as the Emperor sanctions it, for which purpose Baron Shidehara is expected to go to the Palace to-night or to-morrow.—Reuter.

France Accepts Invitation.

Paris, Oct. 15.

The Council of Ministers has decided to accept the British Government's invitation to participate in a naval conference in January.—Reuter.

well worth turning out for as a spectator.

One must not forget to mention what we might call our interport paper hunt at Canton for which about twelve subscribers and their ponies went to Canton.

The moving spirits in this task which was no light job were Messrs. Fischer and Blake and needless to add the event was an outstanding success and we should have been at a loss to suggest anything which could have been done and was not done towards this end.

We had a most excellent paper hunt, laid by Mr. Fischer who thus deprived himself, the keenest of riders, of riding in the show over country which needed a real thruster which we had in Mr. Mattingly on Dumbell who just finished the hunt first with Mr. Dohse on, I think, Calligula a very close second. Apart from ourselves personally, we must thank them for the excellent arrangements that they made for our ponies and their mafoos.

Canton Riders.

Subsequently some of Canton's riders rode in a point-to-point near Potts Bungalow when Mr. Dohse had the satisfaction of finishing first in a fine race which was marred however by an unfortunate accident to Mr. Ferguson but who I am glad to say made a complete recovery. Doubtless it will be arranged I hope that these visits will be repeated.

Our Canton friends will regret with us the untimely death of Mr. Buchanan who although not riding himself was very keen on the Hunt and was one of the party who went to Canton and incidentally was responsible for most of the arrangements at this end.

During the summer we heard from Mr. Birkett, who was joint master with Dr. Pierce Grove, and he was keen to send out further hounds but as I have said it was decided that for the present this matter should be left in abeyance although there are some of us who hope that the hunting will in due course be revived.

I understand that Mr. Birkett will not be coming out this year and he will be much missed at Fanling both on the course and in the country but we must content ourselves with hoping that his well known figure will be seen at Fanling ere long.

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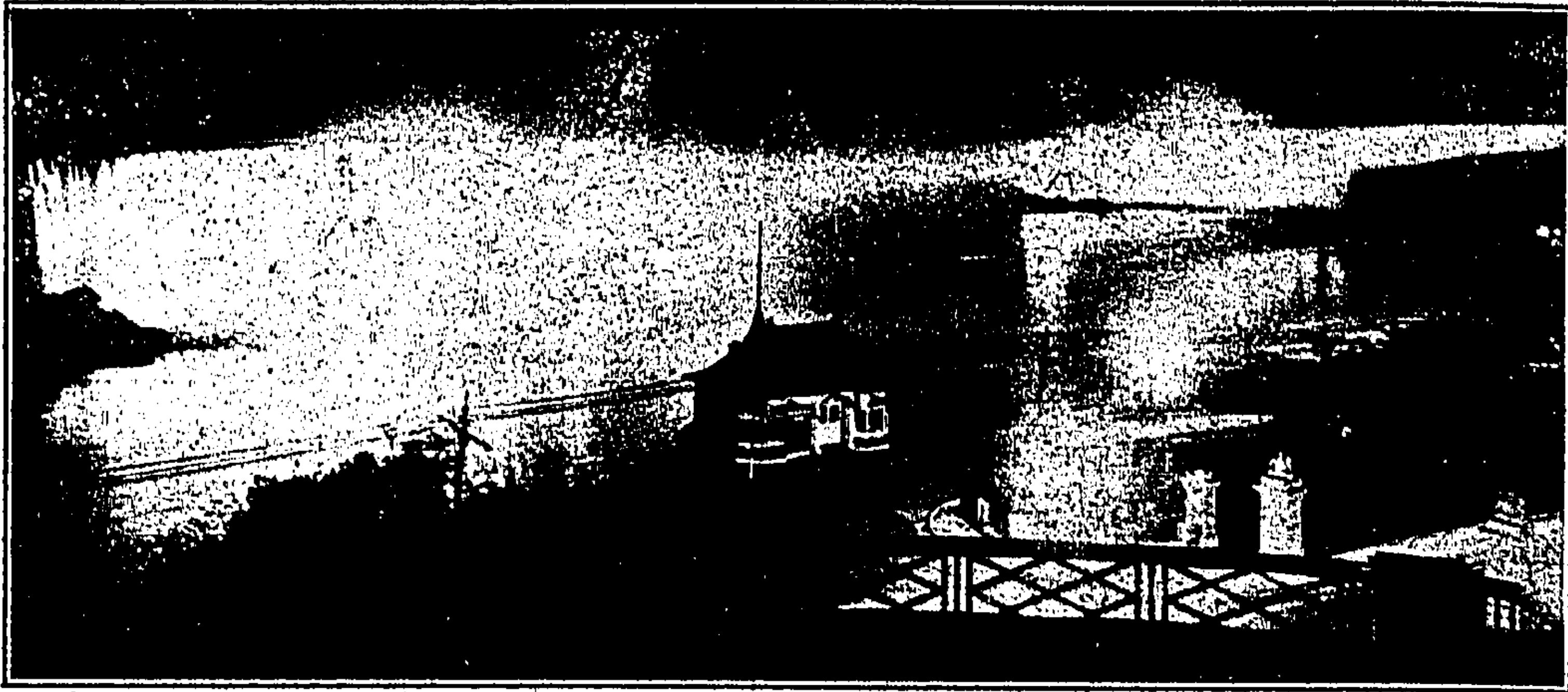
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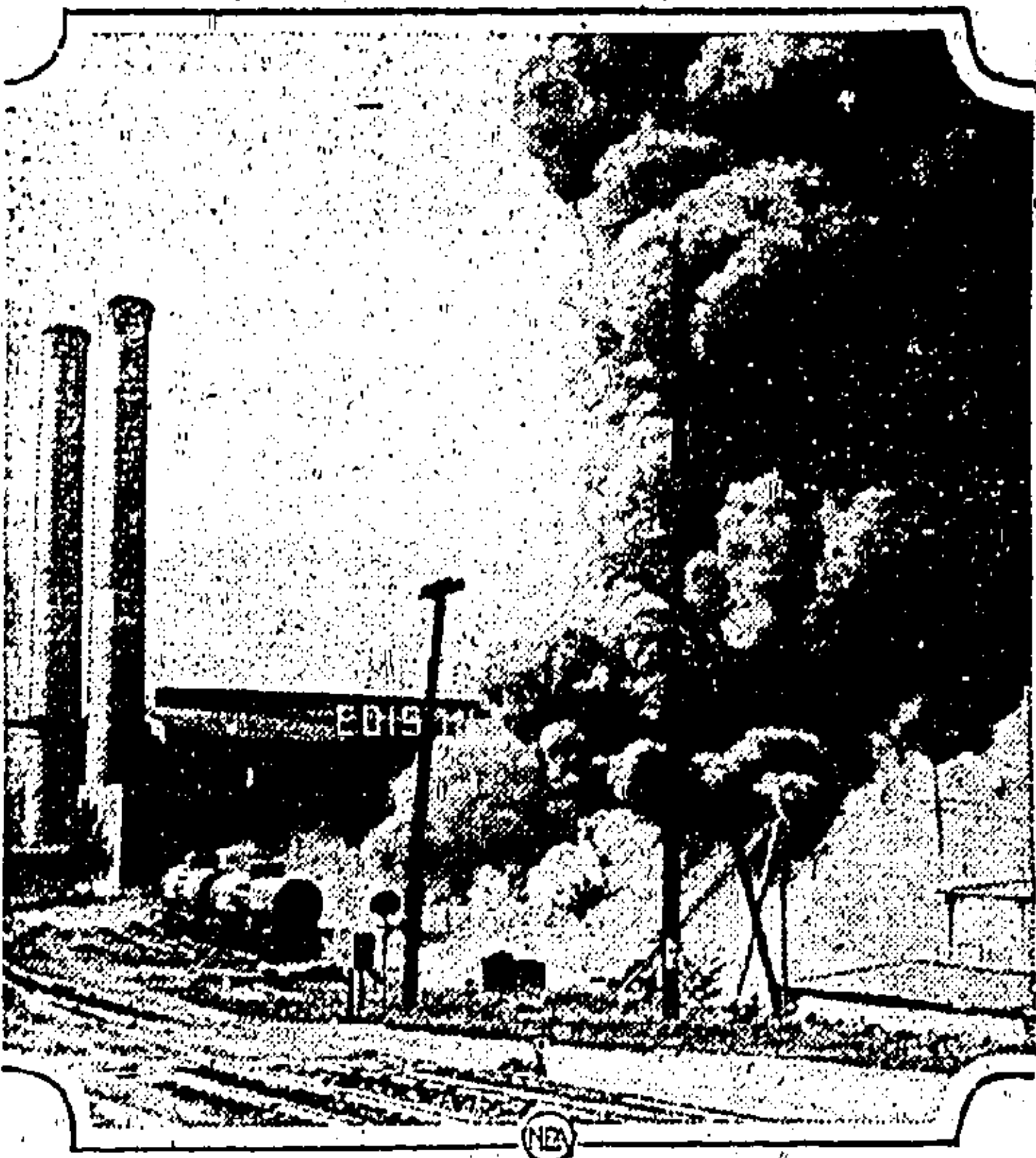




Niagara Falls was floodlighted for the Fifth Annual International Festival of Light's Golden Jubilee and looked like a cataract of molten gold. The mighty waterfall was transformed by 1,440,000,000 candlepower of golden light.



Selwyn Driver who is appearing with the Warwick Revue Co. which is scoring a big success at the Star Theatre.



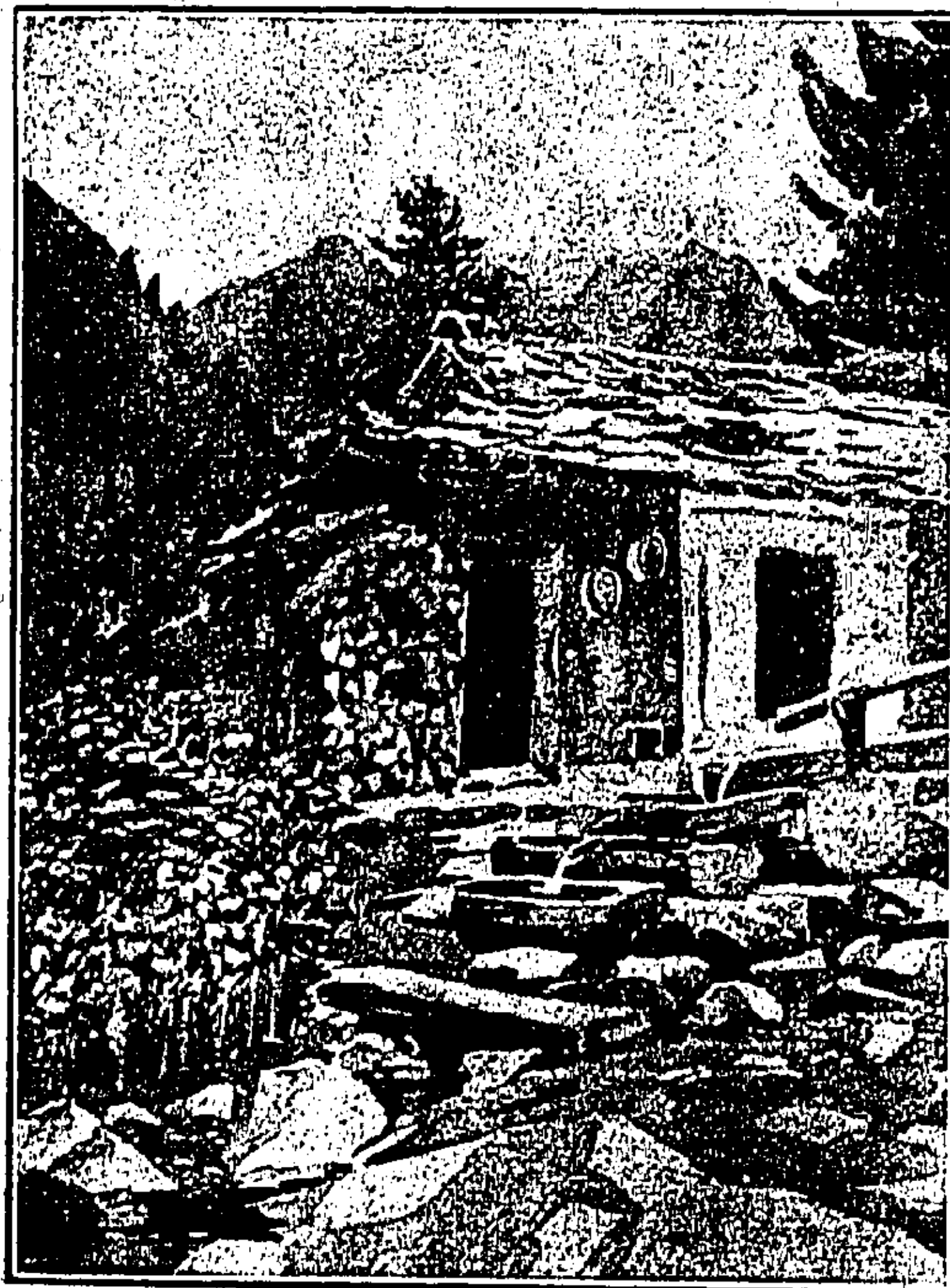
A fire which swept the yards of two oil companies at Reading, Pa., caused 40,000 gallons of gasoline and oil to explode. This picture shows the resultant fire at its height. One man was killed and four were seriously injured in fighting the flames.



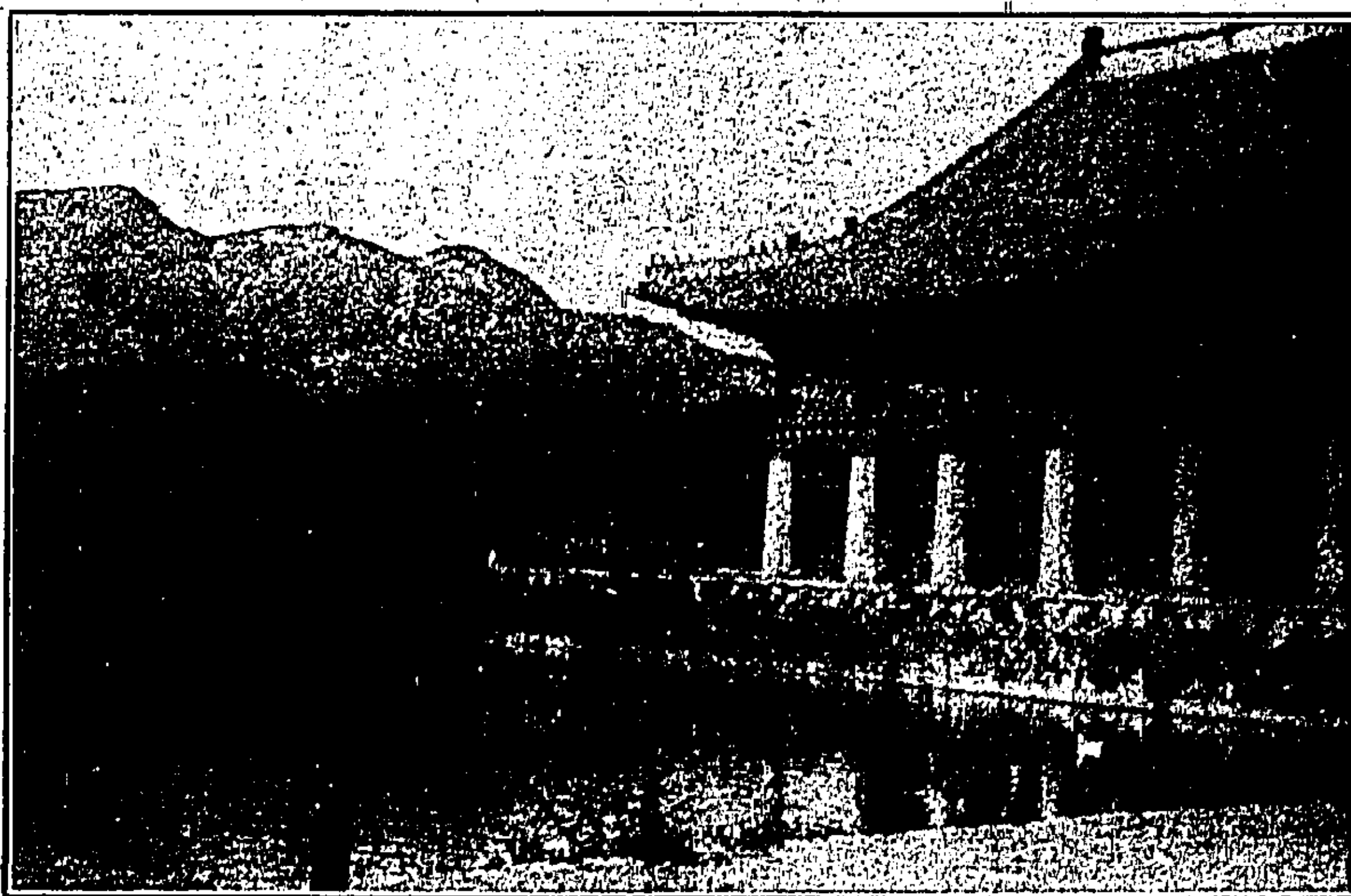
The tiniest aeroplane in the world, shown above, recently constructed in England, flies 105 m.p.h. and costs a penny per mile.



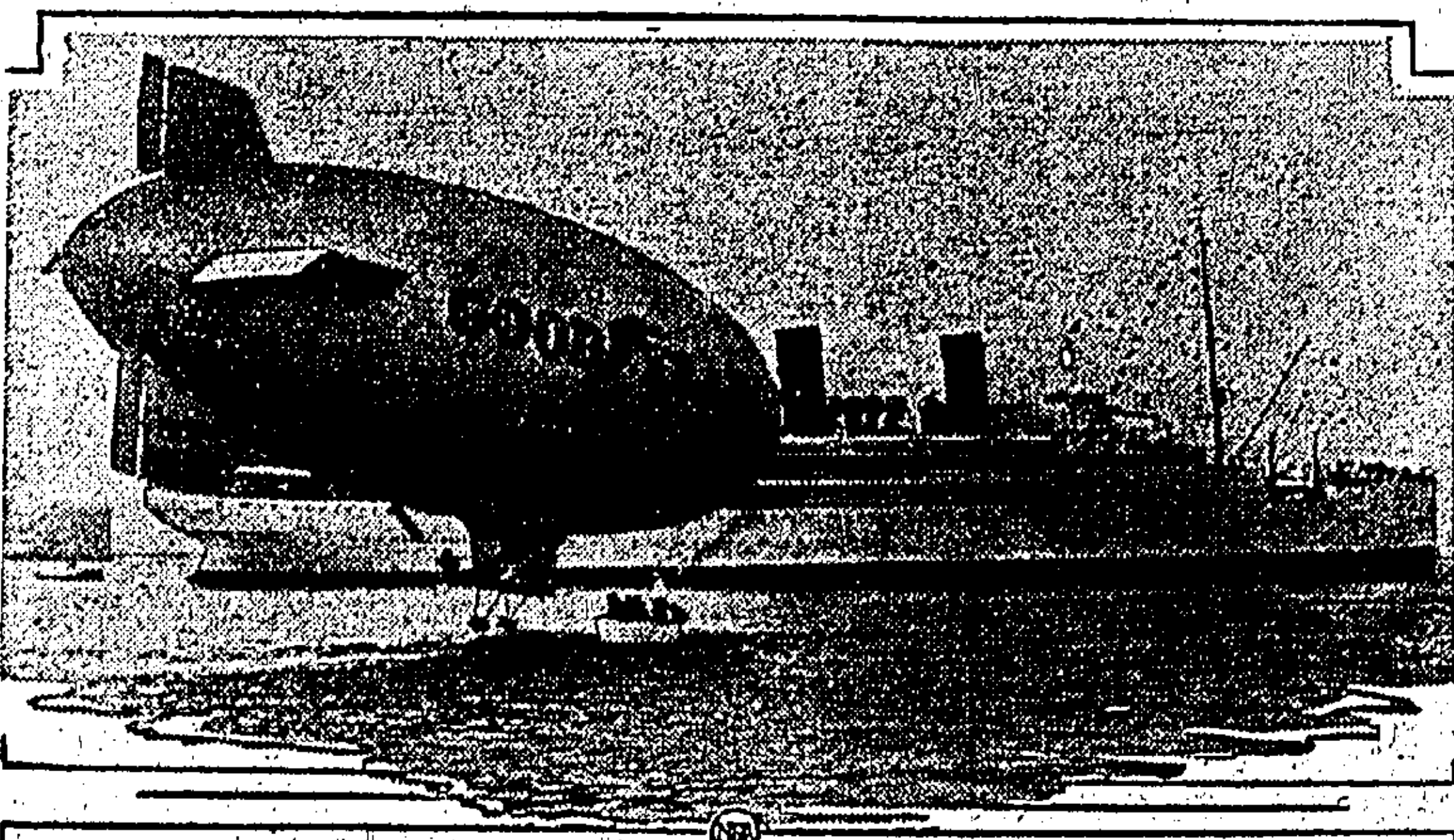
The leaders of the American Labour Party are shown above at the opening of their annual conference. The President, Mr. W. Green, is in the centre, sitting.



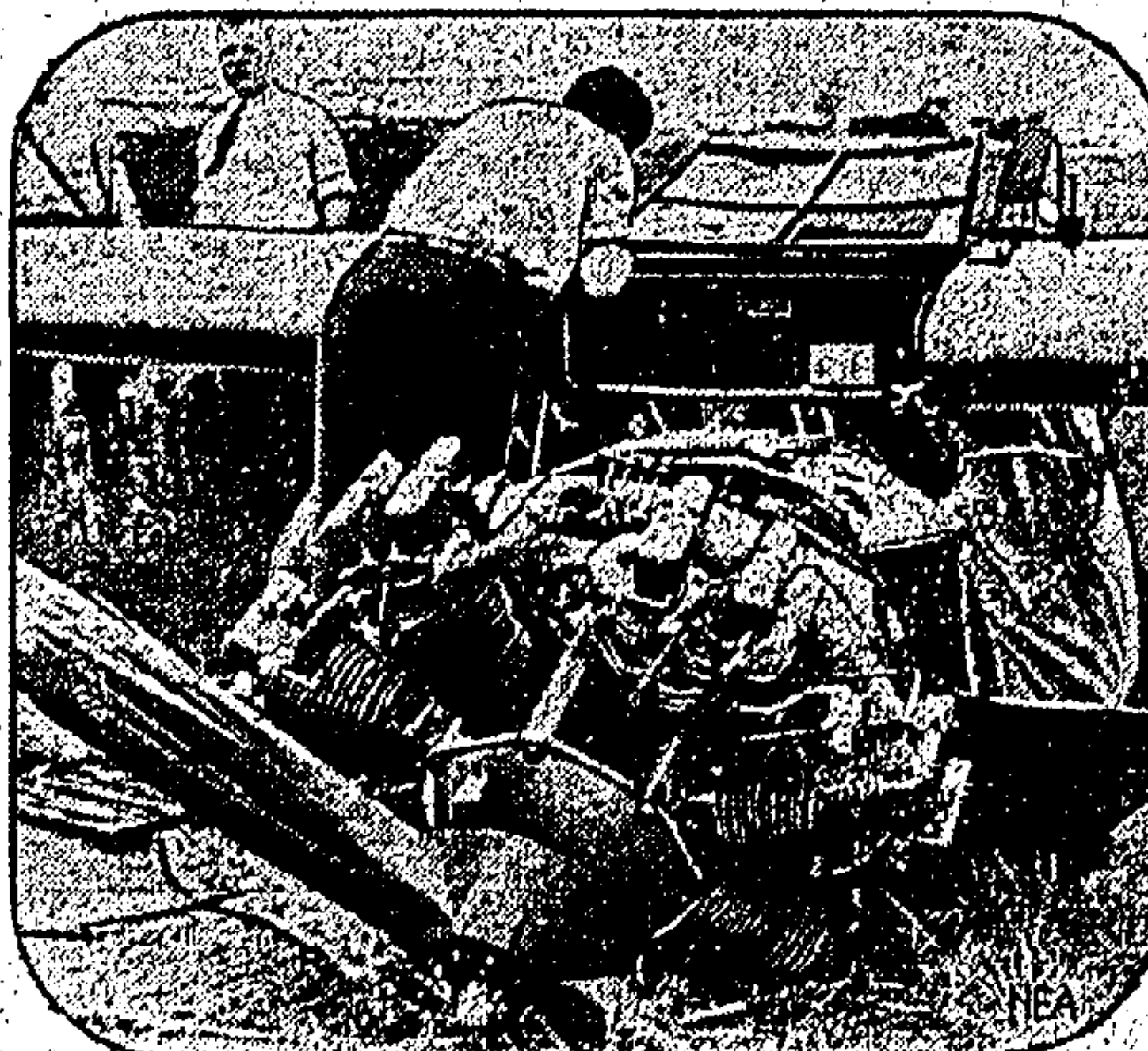
A charming water colour by Mrs. J. Frost whose exhibition of Korean studies under the auspices of the Shanghai B.W.A. Art Section proved an interesting event.



Our photo shows the Imperial Palace in Seoul, Korea, where the last of the Korean rulers made her home.



This picture shows the transfer of a passenger from a ship to a dirigible at sea. The Goodyear dirigible Volunteer was equipped with pontoons and landed on the water just out of Los Angeles.



The tragic ending of the endurance flight undertaken by Captain P. L. Crichton and Owen Haughland at Minneapolis, Minn., which resulted in death for both flyers when their plane crashed after being in the air 183 hours.

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1929.

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Tokyo, Oct. 15.

A message to the Rengo agency from Harbin says that official Chinese reports state that a Soviet force of eight hundred crossed the Amur at its junction with the Sungari, under protection of an artillery barrage, on the morning of October 14, and occupied Lin-kianghsien.

During the clash, three Chinese gunboats were sunk, and the crews, totalling five hundred, are reported to have been drowned.

The Chinese allege that Russian activity began on the night of October 13, air bombing crippling the telephone and telegraph communications with the Lin-kianghsien region.

New Advertisements

NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 21st day of October, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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4	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000
5	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000
6	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000
7	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000
8	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000
9	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000
10	1.12	48,000	11,000	48,000

NOTICE.

Mr. Sverre Berg having resigned from his position as Norwegian Consul at Hong Kong, the Consulate has this day temporarily been taken over by Mr. Karsten Larssen, as acting Consul for Norway, address 67-69, Des Voeux Road Central.

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Hongkong, 16th October, 1929.

Reports say that the Chinese defenders of the village were forced to retreat, but fail to mention whether the Russians are remaining in possession, or withdrew after the raid, as in previous instances.

A Soviet statement reaching Harbin via Habarovsk says the Soviet army and navy "took decisive steps" on the Amur frontier as a reprisal for Chinese gun-fire and mine planting in the river, aimed at Soviet steamers. It asserts that the same punishment will follow future repetitions of these Chinese actions.—Reuter.

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Hong Lam, a Chinese woman, aged 21, living at the Tai Fui Hotel, has been discovered in a boarding house at 90, Des Voeux Road, Central, suffering from the effects of poisoning, believed to be self-administered.

The First Battalion of the West Yorkshire Regiment was to leave Southampton in mail week for Bermuda and Jamaica to relieve the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who are proceeding to Tientsin and Wei-hai-wei.

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Mails for Europe superscribed via Siberia will in future be forwarded via Japan and Vladivostok. It is anticipated that the time of transit will be about 24 days.

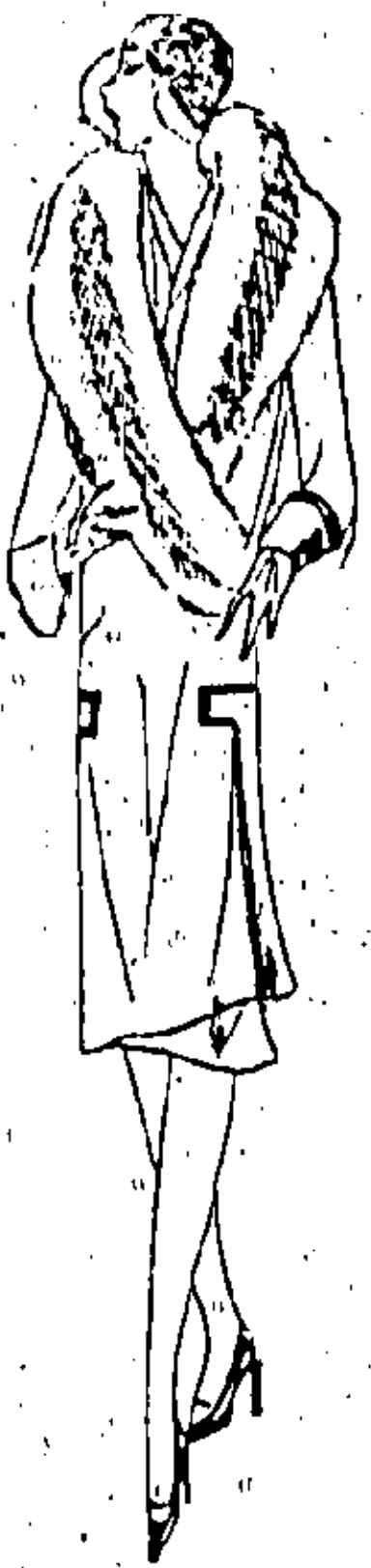
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Shanghai and Amoy	Luchow	October 17.
Shanghai	Mirzapore	October 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Kamo Maru	October 18.
Europe via Negapatam, (letters only)	Shantung	October 17.
London 19th Sept.	Pres. Cleveland	October 20.
Manila	Pres. Harrison	October 21.
U.S.A. (San Francisco Sept. 20)	Pres. Madison	October 21.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Iyo Maru	October 21.
U.S.A. (San Francisco Sept. 27)	Emps. of Asia	October 22.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Aki Maru	October 22.
U.S.A. (Seattle Sept. 21) Canada,	General Metzinger	October 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakata Maru	October 22.
U.S.A. (San Francisco Sept. 25)	Tenyo Maru	October 22.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Celebes Maru	October 22.
Europe via Negapatam, (papers only)	Kalyan	October 25.
London 19th Sept.	Pres. Pierce	October 25.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakone Maru	October 27.
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Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Amoy	Shansi	Wed., Oct. 16, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Wed., Oct. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Sui Sang	Wed., Oct. 16, 5.00 p.m.
Swatow	Cheking	Wed., Oct. 16, 5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Thurs., Oct. 17, 3.30 a.m.
Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Changto	Fri., Oct. 18.
	Parcels	Oct. 17, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Oct. 18, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Oct. 18, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 27th Oct.)	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Chengtu	Fri., Oct. 18, 3.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Sarpedon	Fri., Oct. 18, 10 a.m.
Tourane	Chungkong	Fri., Oct. 18, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, *E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kamo Maru	Sat., Oct. 19.
	K.P.O.	
	Registration	Oct. 18, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 19, 9 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Registration	Oct. 19, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters	Oct. 19, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 17th Nov.)	
Amoy	Luchow	Sun., Oct. 20, 3.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sun., Oct. 20, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hosan Maru	Sun., Oct. 20, 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Mishima Maru	Mon., Oct. 21, 3.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Yuensang	Mon., Oct. 21, noon.
	Parcels	Oct. 21, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 21, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Harrison	Mon., Oct. 21, 4.30 p.m.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco	Pres. Cleveland	Mon., Oct. 21.
	Parcels	Oct. 21, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Oct. 22, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 22, 5 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco 18th Nov.)	
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Pres. Cleveland	Mon., Oct. 21.
	Registration	Oct. 22, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 22, 5 p.m.
Hoihow	Kwelyang	Tues., Oct. 22, 3.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hal Ning	Tues., Oct. 22, 3.30 a.m.
Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, *East and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	General Metzinger	Tues., Oct. 22.
	K. P. O.	
	Registration	Oct. 22, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 22, 1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	Oct. 22, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 22, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 22nd November.)	
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Tues., Oct. 22, 4.30 p.m.
*Manila	Pres. Madison	Tues., Oct. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Tues., Oct. 22, 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Aki Maru	Wed., Oct. 23.
	Registration	Oct. 22, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 23, 3.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 4th Nov.)	
Straits, Mombasa, Lourenco Marques, East and South Africa, and the *South American Ports	Hakata Maru	Wed., Oct. 23, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Chenan	Wed., Oct. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Kumsang	Thurs., Oct. 24, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halying	Fri., Oct. 25, 1 p.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Sat., Oct. 26, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kalyan	October 26.
	K.P.O.	
	Parcels	Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Oct. 25, 9 a.m.
	Letters	Oct. 25, 10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Oct. 25, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Oct. 25, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 23rd November.)	
Manila	Pres. Pierce	Sat., Oct. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Hakone Maru	Mon., Oct. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Japan, *Honolulu and *South American Ports		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Ginyo Maru	Tues., Oct. 29, 10.30 a.m.
	Aeneas	Tues., Oct. 29.
	K. P. O.	
	Parcels	Oct. 29, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 29, 1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	Oct. 29, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 29, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 30th November.)	
Swatow	Kwai Sang	Tues., Oct. 29, 5 p.m.

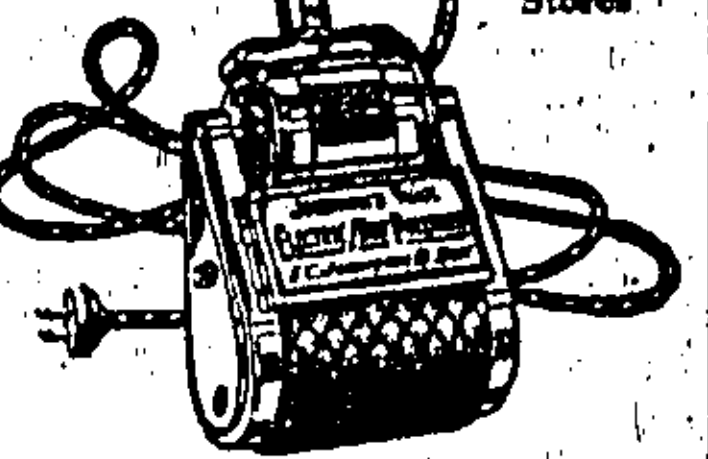
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5.05-7.00 p.m. English Records Programme.
7.45 p.m. Evening weather report.
8 p.m. Evening General Programme, (Columbia and Regal Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Co., Ltd.)
Mr. W. B. Finnigan, (President of the S. P. C. A.) will give a short discourse on "The Local Activities of Same."

8.15 p.m. approx.
"L'Arlésienne Suite—Intermezzo."
(Bizet).
"L'Arlésienne Suite—Minuet."
(Bizet).
J. H. Squire Chamber Orchestra.
"Community Medley," (D. Somers).
"Quick Step."
"A Hunting Medley," Quick Step.
"Night of Stars and Night of Love."
(Offenbach).
"Give me your Darling Hands."
(Puccini).

Duet:—Isobel Baillie and
Francis Russell.
"The Wedding of the Painted Doll."
"You Were Meant for Me."
(Brown).

Piano Solo, Madge Mullon.
"Two Black Crows Part 5 and 6."
Comedy Sketch, Moran and Mack.
"Broadway Medley," (Freed and Brown).

"Lady Divine," (Kountz and Shikore).
Organ Solo, E. Frederic Curzon.
"Songs of the Hebrides,"
Mezzo-Soprano, Patricia Kennedy-Fraser.

"A Canteen Concert," (Merriman),
Descriptive Sketch by The Roosters.
Concert Party.
"Picking Up Sticks," Folk Dance.
"Newcastle Folk Dance."
B. B. C. Wireless Military Band.

"Facilita," (Hartmann).
"Silver Shower," (Rimmer).
Cornet Solo, Jack Mackintosh.
"Daisy Baskman's Radio Minstrels,"
"Epping Forest," Folk Dance.
"Gathering Peasants," Folk Dance.
B. B. C. Wireless Military Band.

"Hidden Heroes," (Rose).
"Ideal Homes," (Rose).
Entertainer at the Piano,
Norman Long.

"Purpence-Halfpenny Farthing,"
Folk Dance.
"Lull Burlesque," Folk Dance.
B. B. C. Wireless Military Band.

"Blitter Sweet," (Coward) Selection.
Ray Starita and His Ambassadors Band.
10.30 p.m. Close down.

Cruelty to Animals.
Mr. W. B. Finnigan, President of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, will broadcast a short address to-night at 9 p.m. on the Association's Activities.

Studio Concert.
There is to be another Studio Concert on Friday at 9 p.m. at which local artists will perform. Professor Simpson has promised to give a short interesting lecture.

SHIPBUILDING.

LLOYD'S FIGURES OF WORLD
CONSTRUCTION.

London, Oct. 15.
Lloyd's register of shipbuilding returns for the quarter to September 30 shows a total world tonnage under construction of 2,817,330, of which 1,448,355 is building in Britain.

The latter figure shows a decrease of 5,561 in the work in hand compared with last June, but an increase of 358,595 on the tonnage building at the end of September, 1928.

Tonnage building in Britain includes 65,000 intended for the Dominions.

There are 651,375 tons of motorships building in Britain and 379,878 abroad.—*Reuter.*

OBITUARY.

FORMER BELGIAN PREMIER
DIES SUDDENLY.

Brussels, Oct. 15.
The ex-Premier, M. Delacroix, the principal Belgian delegate to the committee on bank international settlements, meeting at Baden-Baden, has died of apoplexy.—*Reuter.*

WOMAN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.The Quest of
Happiness.

People are never tired of speculating about ways of capturing happiness, yet I wonder how many of those who have tried would say, with Warwick Deeping, the novelist, that "the wilful quest of happiness is the most fatal of illusions."

Which does not mean, I take it, that the wise man is he who gives no thought at all to the question of how best to live joyfully, but rather he who realises that perfect happiness is not for this world, though it may be vouchsafed to finite mortals to capture it for a thrilling moment here and there in the long progress of the years.

But will humanity ever learn—and should it learn—to stifle this longing for happiness?

Is it not, after all, an instinct, a stretching-out towards the regions where the spirit belongs, ever unsatisfied because incapable of being satisfied in our present material state?

Jean Paul says somewhere that the melancholy which falls upon the lover of nature when he looks upon exquisite scenes is the infinite within us crying out against the pain of limitation.

Perhaps the never-ending quest for happiness is the urge of the infinite towards the infinite.—H.M. In Exchange.



There is a youthful charm to this sports model by Redfern. The skirt is of wool georgette and the jacket is yellow with navy polka dots. The blouse also is yellow.



Alluringly new is the Marcelle Lyle turban that fits its black felt self off Milady's forehead and fits very snugly, in the season's eye-revealing manner. A new version of the popular tricolour scheme is exemplified by the use of black, red and white velvet ribbon, plaided in a striking Tartan design. This velvet makes a smart sailor's knot low on the left side, with the ends flaring out in the fisherman's hat silhouette.

Fashion Notes.

THE IMPORTANCE OF "LINE".

A fitting gracefulness in everyday dress should not be the prerogative of the few who can pay for the subtle distinction which is known in the world of dress-making and fashion as *la ligne*.

The art of clothing herself according to her type and figure is an advantage which the modern woman has won over her less fortunate predecessors of past generations.

It is not a question of style or colour or with actual fashions of the moment. What should be stressed is that the right outline is of paramount importance. It is the foundation of good dressing, just as a knowledge of anatomy is the foundation of sculpture.

Lines may deviate and branch off in dress, as in sculpture, but the fundamental principle from which they spring must remain severely unchanged, so that the complete outline of a costume grows to one's eyes with a sense and grace.

It is remarkable how the asymmetrical line has swept through the fashions during the last season or two, gathering whole-hearted adherents on its way.

First frocks succumbed, then hats, and this year, the woman who shows a straight line either on her head, or her skirt, is so demodée that there will be no help for her—unless, of course, she is wearing tailored or semi-tailored clothes.

So far as hats are concerned, the main point of the modiste is that they will not look overbalanced, when this asymmetrical line is used.

It takes a very clever designer, for instance to achieve a model which is now all the vogue in Paris. In this model the brim sharply turns up, is carried down to one side, only a bow placed over the right brow, breaking the line.

The forehead, of course, is exposed slightly according to the

On Perfume.

AND HOW TO USE IT.

There are ways in which even the most timid woman may achieve a fragrance without any fear that she may be overdoing it. Her bureau may be lined with quilted silk in which a sachet is hidden; her frocks may hang on padded perfume hangers, and her slippers rest on shoe-trees tipped with scented cotton. She may even tuck a tiny sachet into her hat or her furs, pin it inside her dress, or carry it in her handbag.

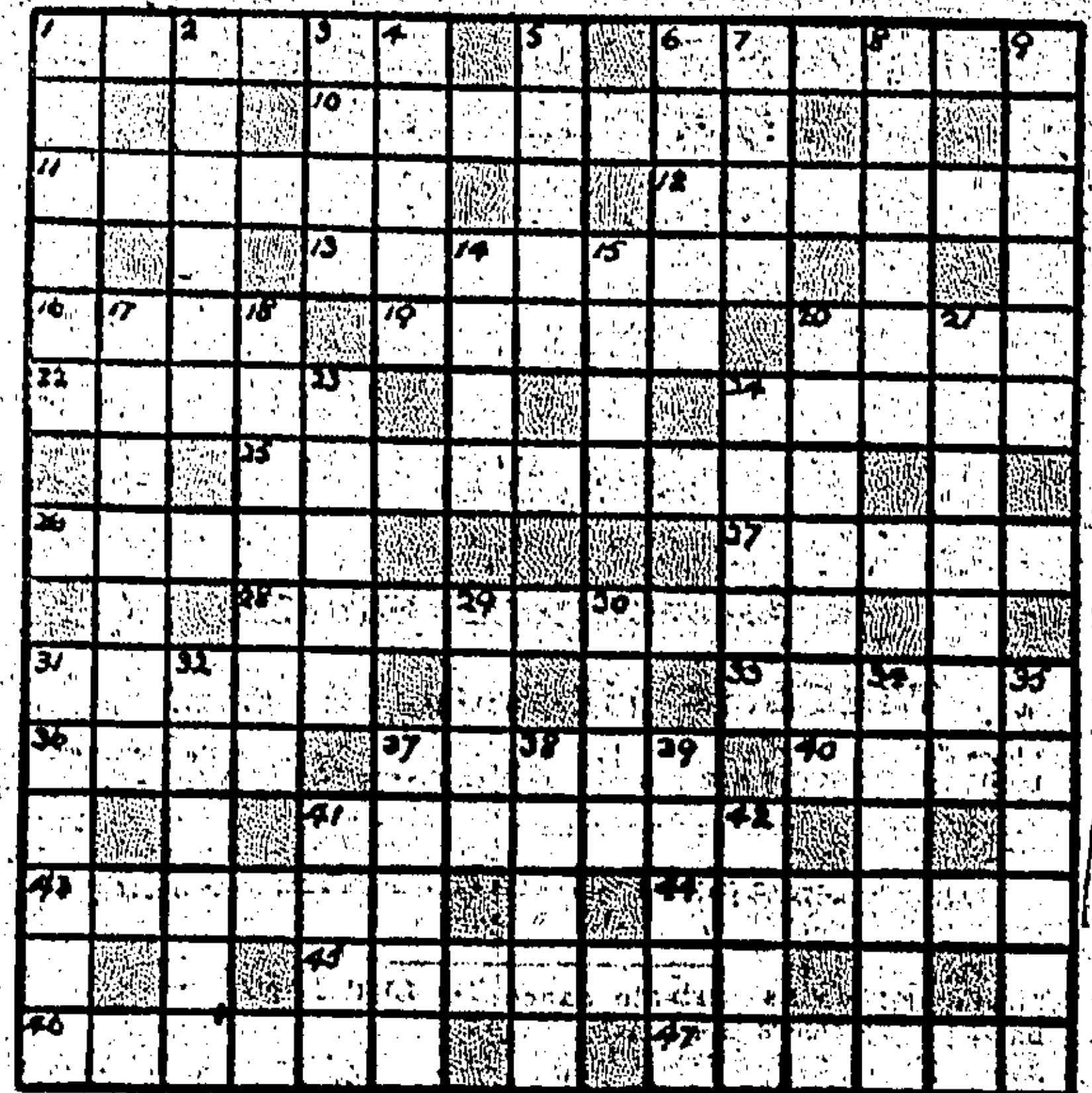
If you don't like to fuss with these dainty frivolities, you can perfume your hair. When you are shampooing, add a handful of bath salts or a bath salts or a bath tablet to the last rinsing water, and your hair will be fragrant for several days. Another particularly effective way is to rub just a trace of perfume in concentrated paste form on your hair. The sweet odour will linger for a week. Many women spray essence or toilet water on their locks with an atomiser. There has been a feeling in the past that concentrated perfume should never be used in an atomiser—that only a light toilet water should be used in this way—but this prejudice seems to be breaking down rapidly.

Most women who use perfume well and make the most of its delightful withery use it on the skin. This seems really to be the natural way to use it. Don't spray it on lavishly, of course. No one wants to be drenched in the pleasantest odour in the world. Spray it on sparingly before you put on your frock, or just touch the eyebrows, ears, lips, throat, and palms of the hands with it.

Latest dictates of the mode, and the left side shows a silhouette that fits the head.

The materials used, too, are an unusual combination, for the main part of the hat is in white Bakli, and it is trimmed with black felt. Of course the colours are sometimes varied, as for instance a two-tone combination of beige; and a black and pink model in this shape is generally the last word in chic.

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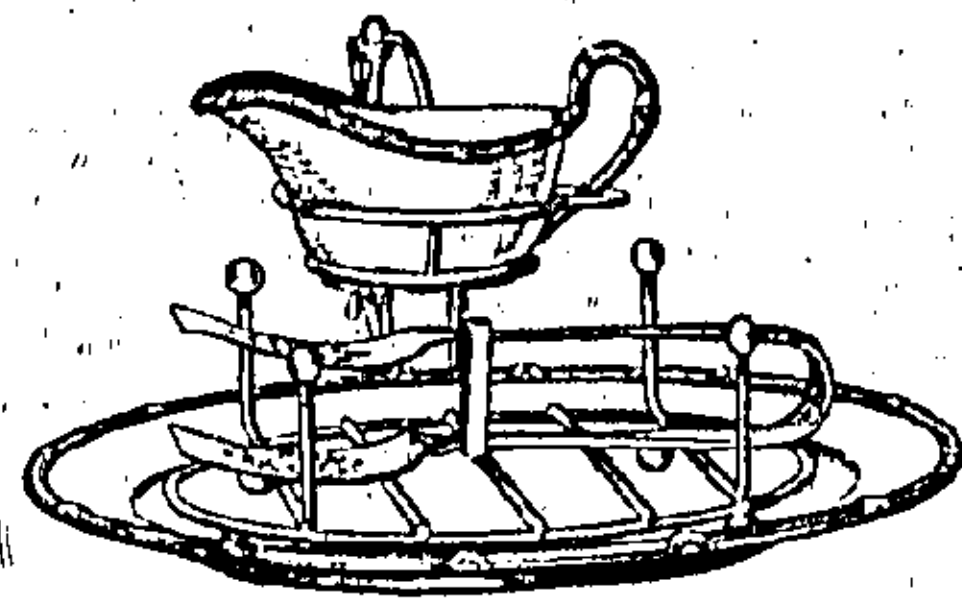
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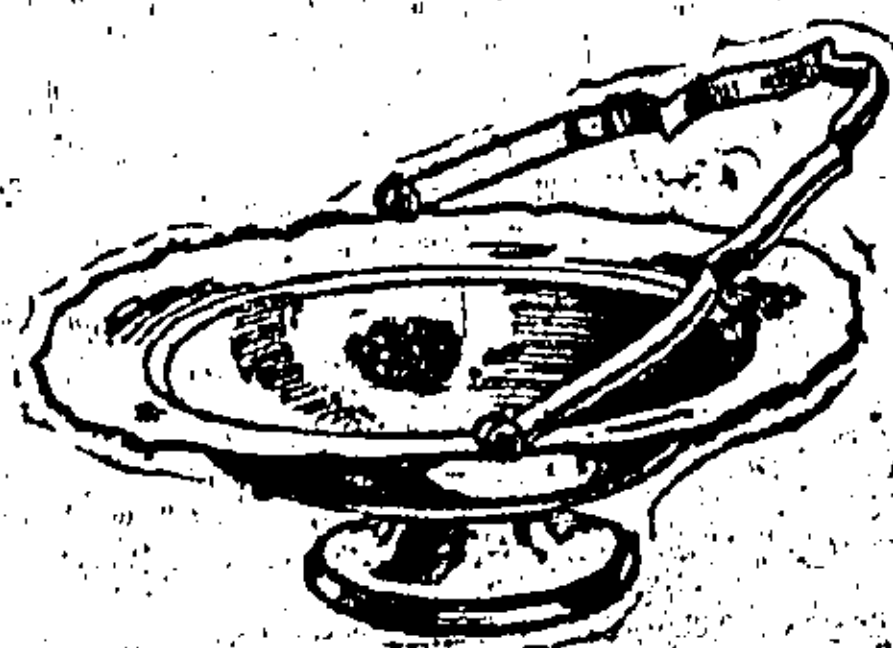


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A PUBLIC GRIEVANCE.

Few people will have read the interview with the General Manager of the Hongkong Tramways Company, which we published yesterday, without feeling that both the Company and the public have a genuine grievance against the Government when it declines to grant reasonable facilities for handling the very heavy traffic which has now to be coped with on the route between Causeway Bay and North Point. Since the reclamation was completed, circumstances have resulted in exceptional demands being made on the Tramway Company in regard to the handling of big crowds. The growing popularity of bathing amongst the Chinese community has been reflected in the erection of numbers of commodious sheds along the North Point waterfront, and this in turn has naturally meant an increased demand for traffic facilities. The latest development has been the laying out of a big stadium in the neighbourhood, and this, again, has stressed the need of adequate transport facilities for the thousands visiting this new sports centre. There has thus sprung up, as Mr. Bellamy stated yesterday, an all-the-year-round demand for such facilities, and it is surely one to which the authorities should pay due heed.

The manner in which the Tramway Company is handicapped is forcibly shown by the statement that whilst with a double track a crowd of 3,000 people could be moved in half an hour, it takes four times as long with only a single track available. The irony of the situation is that the Tramway Company is willing and anxious to provide the necessary service, but the Government, for reasons best known to itself, stands in the way. Owing to the interminable delay in the construction of the new road between Causeway Bay and Quarry Bay, the Tramway Company has been forced into the position of having to apply for permission to double a small portion of its track in order to cope with the traffic. Had the new road been built, this necessity would never have arisen. In other words, the Government, by its easy-going methods, has contributed to the congestion which has now arisen; yet it will do nothing to help others to relieve it. We can see nothing at all unreasonable in the Company's request for permission to double a short portion of its track. Indeed the Government ought to be thank-

ful that the Company is prepared to provide the facilities, the more so when it is realised that the Company would have to pay more for maintenance charges.

The only permanent solution of the problem, of course, is the prompt completion of the road between Causeway Bay and Quarry Bay, but the Government policy in regard to this undertaking is strangely stubborn. For years, the job has been tinkered with, and despite the urgent necessity of the road, practically nothing is to be done on it in the coming year. Officialdom says there is no advantage in tackling the problem piecemeal; yet the piecemeal policy is to be followed in regard to the new Saikung Road, for which there is at present no real demand. It is when we face facts like these that we years for a Municipal Council, which would see that in local matters first things came first. In the absence of the new road, the only satisfactory way of handling the increased traffic in the North Point district is for the Tramway Company to double its track. It is anxious to do so, but it finds itself up against official opposition. The matter is primarily one not between the Tramway Company and the Government, but between the public and the Government. The public has the right to demand adequate travelling facilities, the absence of which creates a communal grievance. We hope, therefore, to see this aspect of the question spiritedly taken up, so that the necessities of the situation may be impressed on the authorities.

Coal Co-ordination.

A situation, bristling with dangerous possibilities nationally disastrous is certain to arise if senseless impatience and Mr. A. J. Cook combine to smash the scheme of the coal-owners for co-ordination in production and marketing. Only by slow and painful steps have the great coal proprietors been induced voluntarily to approach the policy urged upon the Baldwin Administration by the Samuel Commission, but under the pressure of the Labour Government's mandate to enforce the co-ordination prescribed by the Samuel Report, they have finally submitted proposals for the fitting of the district selling organisations into a national system. The industry having been wise enough to forestall Government action, it would be calamitous if the miners are really bent on mischief and intend to nullify the rationalisation attempt at its inception rather than wait upon the considered policy of the Government regarding the Eight Hours' Act. Unfortunately, there is no encouragement to be derived from Mr. Cook's speech at Kenton. He talks of reluctance to have a stoppage at the end of the year during the Labour regime, but he leaves little room for doubt that unless Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is prepared to act precipitately in the matter of superseding the Eight Hours' Act, a strike will be declared. Whether the miners would respond to Mr. Cook's call, we cannot be certain. The weighing of industrial war for its own sake has already cost the miners dear, and we cannot understand them being willing to see the bill increased. Moreover, the acute distress in the coalfields last winter and the wonderful response of the nation and the Empire to the Mansion House Fund for the relief of their wives and families, should be sufficiently fresh in their memories to exercise a restraining influence. Mining conditions call for sympathy. We favour a return to the seven-hour day in principle, but it should be obvious to the simplest among them that the time is not opportune for full performance of the Labour promise. A plan has been advanced for reversion by easy stages, and we trust that more responsible leaders than Mr. Cook will be able to convince the men that it is in their own interests to accept the proposals. The coal industry sorely needs an opportunity to get on its feet, and this will be possible only if the miners are prepared to adopt an outlook practical in spirit.

DAY BY DAY.

THE DEVIL HAS MANY TOOLS, BUT A LIE IS A HANDLE THAT FITS THEM ALL.—Leader.

Two Chinese cases of diphtheria were reported on Monday.

Admiral Sir Lewis Bayley was a passenger on the Menelaus which left Hongkong yesterday for Europe.

Falling down the staircase at 72, Connaught Road West, a Chinese girl, seven years of age, and residing at 240, Queen's Road West, fractured her skull. She died from her injuries.

Pleading guilty to a charge of wasting water at a street fountain by allowing the tap to run continuously, a boatwoman, who was washing clothes, was fined \$1 by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

No less than \$17,800 is alleged to have been stolen by Lo Kwai from his master, who resides at room No. 18, The Stag Hotel. It is alleged that the offence was committed on the 14th instant, and the police have arrested the servant.

A charge of embezzlement will be preferred against Fan Cheung-on, aged 25 years, the amount involved being \$130. The offence is stated to have been committed on the 12th August last from the Leung Kee-fruit stall, Central Market.

By the use of a duplicate key, a jewellery box, the property of Kwan Sik-kui, a merchant, of 61, Des Voeux Road, West, was opened by some person between noon on the 9th and 11 a.m. on the 15th October, and from it was taken money and jewellery to the value of \$1,785.

The death of a foki, named Yip Pui, as a result of accidentally falling overboard from the s.s. Kellihon, has been reported by Leung Sze, master of the cargo boat number 2949V, to have occurred yesterday. A search was made but no trace of the body could be found.

Arrested at the Kowloon Railway Station with a quantity of opium tied to each leg and a further parcel round his waist, a Chinese passenger from Canton was fined \$2,460, or ten months' hard labour in default, by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Stated to have been describing circles on a bicycle in Lai-chikok Road, Shamshuipo, a Chinese was fined \$3 by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. His Worship informed the defendant that he would have to choose a less congested thoroughfare for trick cycling.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—Mr. John Reginald Leslie Stanton, of 12, Tregunter Mansions, to Miss Astrid Larssen, of 7, Peak Mansions; Dr. Mustapha Bin Osman, of the School of Pathology, Hongkong University, residing at 35, Bonham Road, to Miss Mary Diana Kotwall, of 16, Staunton Street.

Two Chinese who were alleged to have accused an elderly woman of kidnapping a child, were charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with assaulting the woman. It was stated by the police that there was no foundation for the men's allegations. All parties were bound over to keep the peace for six months.

A fine of \$3,200 and twelve months' imprisonment was inflicted upon a Chinese, at the Central Magistracy to-day, who was discovered this morning on the Hing Hon wharf, Connaught Road Central, with 37 tins of prepared opium tied round his waist. Mr. A. W. Grimmett, Revenue Officer, prosecuted, and the accused pleaded guilty.

On a charge of larceny of a basket of coal from the P. and O. coal yard at Tai Kok Tsui, a Chinese was fined \$5 or seven days' hard labour by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The defendant was seen to take the coal, piece by piece, through the fence. The value of the quantity stolen was stated to be \$1.50.

The Helena May Institute will give its Opening Concert for the Season on Thursday 24th October at 5.30 p.m. Tickets may be booked in advance. Season tickets may be obtained for 10 Concerts—members \$2.50 non-members \$4.50. Teas must be booked, please ring Matron C.2160. Owing to unforeseen circumstances, Mr. Gibson Ma will be unable to play at this concert, but his place is being kindly taken by Mr. John Braga.—Adv.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Strok's Concerts.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Strok's interesting letter, may I suggest that he might have less cause to complain of the small audiences in Hongkong if he reduced the prices of reserved seats and provided better programmes? Would it not be better to fill the City Hall at \$4 a seat than to fill a few rows at \$8? Most of us appreciate the genius and skill of the visiting artists and desire to attend every concert, but we cannot pay so highly for the pleasure.

As to the programmes, the Chopin Nocturnes and Brahms Valses (to take but two examples), are familiar to most of us. Why repeat them so often—and then not on the instrument of which they were composed, as was done at Thibaud's concerts last year? There is much of the highest order, old and new, which we in this Colony can never hear except on a gramophone. Here are great artists who can perform the greatest music and we should like to hear. But when we have to pay an exorbitant price to hear music that is hackneyed, and often intrinsically unworthy of the performer, we are deterred from attending the concerts.—Yours, etc.,

DISAPPOINTED.

Hongkong, Oct. 15th, 1929.

A WORLD FAMOUS TENOR COMING.

FLETA TO GIVE ONE RECITAL IN HONGKONG.

Acclaimed the world over as the most worthy successor to the domain of the late Caruso, Miguel Fleta, sensational Spanish tenor and the most dominant figure in grand opera to-day, will make one appearance only at the Theatre Royal on Monday, 29 October. Plans for the single recital are now on view at Moutrie's.

Almost by accident it was discovered that Miguel Fleta could sing—when a disciple of that famous singer Manuel Azco heard him and offered instruction. Fleta has frequently been chosen to create important roles by modern composers. His voice is a pure fresh tenor, clear and bell-like in quality, and he especially delights in music and in musical phrases which exhibit his unusual power of colouring a single long note. As one of the leading Victor recording artists, his marvellous voice is known in nearly every civilized land.

Mr. Fleta is touring the Orient, where he will give no fewer than 60 recitals, under the management of A. Strok. Fleta is quite the most extraordinary recitalist that has ever appeared in the Colony. He must be heard to be appreciated.

MERRIMENT AT THE STAR THEATRE.

ANOTHER WARWICK COMPANY SUCCESS.

The Warwick Revue Company again provided the theatre-going public an excellent programme at the Star Theatre last night, having the advantage of playing to a good house and a highly appreciative audience.

"The Merry-Go-Round," which was presented, was true to its name for it was a merry affair from beginning to end; every item on the programme being well received, especially the charming singing of the equally charming Miss Enid Nicholson, who received such a thunderous encore that despite repeated efforts to continue the programme, she was finally forced to reappear.

To-night the Company presents "Airy Nothings"—just for fun.

Lo (or Law) Ho-ah, alias Ho Sut-ching (or Tsing), third concubine to Lo Chap-sun, merchant, of No. 9, Hing Hon Road, who died on October 4, last year, left Hongkong estate to the value of \$24,600. Survivors, in addition to the husband, are Lo Hung-yew, son, and Lo Ah-wong, daughter, aged 21 and 24 respectively. Probate has been granted to the husband, who is the sole executor and to whom everything is bequeathed.

Among the passengers who left on the s.s. Taiyo Maru to-day were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bush, Commander and Mrs. J. V. de Almeida, and Mr. A. H. Compton.

The Very Idea!

"M. E. F." writes to the London Morning Post:—"The real English word descriptive of the inhabitants of Scotland and their concerns certainly used to be—and probably still is—'Scotch,' and not 'Scottish' or 'Scots.' There seems no more reason for English people, speaking their own language, to call the Scotch 'Scots' than to call the French 'Francs'."

"As an Englishman I resent being told by foreigners how to speak my own language—but, of course, the Scotch have a right to call themselves anything they like. As far as I remember, Sir Walter Scott—who was, I understand, of Scotch nationality—used 'Scotch' exclusively in his writings. But perhaps I only saw these in English translations."

Jones minor had reluctantly called upon the dentist, and in fear and trembling he rang the surgery bell. A maid answered his summons. "Oh—er—Good morning!" Jones murmured. "I have called to see Mr. Tugge, the dentist." "I'm sorry he was told, but Mr. Tugge's out!" "Oh, really?" Jones replied. "Well—er—could you possibly tell me when he will be out again?"

["£23,000 stock deals on a Transatlantic trip."—Daily Paper.]

Now stock and shares
And "bulls" and "bears"
Are on the ocean free,
How very strange
To find that "Change"
Is suddenly all at sea!
The bids and deals,
And the engine's wheels,
Will make a peculiar rhythm,
But when ships sink,
How awful to think
That "Exchanges go down" with 'em!

Willesden woman—I've brought a parcel of rubbish my landlord threw at me. Would you like to see it? Magistrate—No, thank you.

Man at Southend, accused of breaking cell windows—What? Five shillings for two panes of glass? I could put them both in for ninepence!

Action Magistrate, in a case in which a boy was accused of gambling—Pantom? What is pantom? Police Sergeant—I cannot tell you sir!—

The opening of the Three Choirs Festival at Worcester Cathedral recalls a good story of the late Sir Beerbohm Tree's. A very pompous acquaintance of his, he said, was highly indignant when he tried to enter Gloucester Cathedral, where the festival was being held that year, because he had not his ticket—which, unfortunately, he had lost. Losing his temper also, he exclaimed rhetorically, "Do you think tickets will be required to enter the kingdom of heaven?" "No, sir," replied the steward, "but, then, Madam—will not be singing there."

Distracted Mother: "Oh, dear, what shall I do with baby?"
Young Son: "Didn't we get a book of instructions with it, mother?"

WHO WAS... LITTLE BUTTERCUP?

According to Gilbert and Sullivan, her biographers, the career of Little Buttercup was one long lit and rhyme. A lady of the bumps, of sufficiently ample proportions to justify her description as "a plump and pleasing person." Little Buttercup went on board H.M.S. Pinafore to sell the sailors "ribbons and laces to set off the faces of pretty young sweethearts and wives" as well as every other commodity which their nautical fancies could desire, including "sugar and coffee and excellent toffee" and anything else for which a rhyme could be found.

While on board the Pinafore, Little Buttercup came upon a sad story of frustrated love. Ralph Rackstraw, a common sailor, was in love with the Captain's daughter, and his passion was requited by the maiden, but needless to say Captain Corkoran had a few observations to make on the position. What he actually said was "why, damme, it's too bad!"

This is where Little Buttercup came in. She told the whole ship's crew that when she was young and charming she practised baby farming, with the result that Captain Corkoran and Ralph Rackstraw had become mixed up. When the sensation had subsided, there was nothing else for it but that the skipper should hand over the command of the ship to Ralph Rackstraw and take the latter gentleman's position on the lower deck.

Thus was removed the obstacle to the marriage of Captain Rackstraw and Miss Corkoran.

EMBEZZLER RUN TO EARTH.**GAMBLER \$130 AND THEN DEFRAUDED OTHERS.****PRISON SENTENCES.**

Beginning with embezzling \$130 belonging to his master, a Chinese went on to defraud two dealers in the Central Market of goods to the value of \$34 and \$17 respectively, gambled away his ill-gotten gains, and was later discovered in a brawl in an opium den. As a result, he found his way to the Central Magistracy, when he appeared before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham this morning on three counts—embezzling \$130 from his employer, a fruit dealer in Wing-lok Street, obtaining goods to the value of \$34 from a dealer in the Central Market, and obtaining a \$17 worth of goods from another dealer.

The story of how the accused committed the offences and the manner in which he was caught and arrested were told by Detective Sergeant J. Kennedy, who prosecuted for the police. It was on the 12th August last that defendant was sent out by his employer to collect bills from various customers, but the man, having obtained the money, which amounted to \$30, absconded, and nothing further was heard or seen of him until he appeared at the Central Market on 12th September. There, with cool audacity, he represented himself as the servant of the master he had robbed, and succeeded in obtaining goods from two dealers, to the total value of \$51. From one dealer he got two barrels of oranges and from the second he obtained a crate of grapes.

Between the date of his embezzlement and the defrauding of the dealers, the man enjoyed himself in the gambling dens, until he had lost every cent of the original \$130, and it was because of this, and in order to recoup himself, that he committed the last two offences.

It was some time later, when the attention of the police was attracted to a brawl in an opium den, and upon arrests being made, that the accused was discovered amongst them. The various events were linked together, and to the police, who closely questioned him, the man confessed his guilt.

At the Magistracy to-day, his escapades earned for the accused sentences of three months' imprisonment on the first charge and two months on the second, both to run consecutively, and two months on the third, to run concurrently with the others.

FATAL FIRE IN CHELSEA.**WOMAN CUT OFF BY FLAMES.**

London, Sept. 4. Miss Frances Eyden, the cashier at Queen's Restaurant, Sloane-square, S.W., lost her life in a fire at the restaurant early yesterday. She was sleeping in a "top room," and it was impossible to reach her while the fire was in progress.

The manager of the restaurant, Mr. Giacomo Tosi, and his wife and 12-year-old daughter, were rescued by firemen, who carried them down a fire escape.

The outbreak occurred about 3.30 a.m., the alarm being raised by someone passing by. The firemen who arrived on the scene found flames leaping from the windows. At one of the upper windows were Mr. Tosi, his wife, and their daughter. An escape was placed in position and two firemen went up and carried the three people to safety.

When the firemen had extinguished the flames and were able to enter the building they found Miss Eyden's body.

Eye-Witnesses' Stories.

Mr. A. E. Gray, principal of the firm of E. C. Perks and Company, chemists, whose premises are in the same block of buildings, told a Press representative that he was awakened about 3.30 by the sound of smashing glass, which was followed by an explosion. Flames were leaping from the front of the building. He rang up the Fire Brigade but the alarm had already been given. Several fire engines arrived, and an escape was run up to a front window.

"The firemen," he added, "went up and carried Mr. and Mrs. Tosi and their daughter down safely and where my wife and I treated their burns. The two firemen who rescued them also had their hands burned and we attended to them as well."

Mr. Tosi suddenly collapsed, and he and his wife and child were taken in an ambulance to St. George's Hospital.

"Mr. Tosi told me," Mr. Gray added, "that he could not get up stairs to Miss Eyden's room because of the staircase being on fire."

Another eye-witness stated that the firemen ran the escape up to

WAS RIDDLED WITH TUBERCULOSIS.**INQUIRY INTO DETAINED WOMAN'S DEATH.****MEDICAL EVIDENCE.**

In his capacity as Coroner, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning, held an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Mah Chin, a woman of 50, who died at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday morning.

It was established that the deceased was one of seven suspects arrested in one day during the recent campaign by the police against a ring of kidnapers. She was being held for deportation when death intervened.

The following jury were empanelled—Messrs. A. T. Lane (foreman), D. B. Chin and Kwong Loong.

Dr. A. Cannon, medical officer attached to Victoria Gaol, said the deceased came under his professional attention on October 10, the day following her admission into Prison. He then noticed that she was, apparently, both deaf and dumb, and, on examination, came to the conclusion that she was suffering from some gross brain lesion. In view of this discovery, he further examined her for any marks of violence, but found none. Following that examination, he kept her under observation from day to day, and made the further discovery that she had partially lost the use of her limbs. The pupils of her eyes also converged, which was another sign of organic disease.

The deceased was treated to the best of their ability, but he did not think it advisable to move her into hospital, until yesterday morning. A form was subsequently returned by Dr. G. H. Thomas, with a note that the patient died a few minutes after admission.

Replying to the Coroner, witness said the deceased's deaf and dumb condition might be due to the gross brain lesion to which he had alluded. Witness said he would not be surprised to be informed that the woman had died of pulmonary tuberculosis.

Dr. G. H. Thomas, Medical Officer at the Government Civil Hospital, who made a post-mortem examination of the remains, reported that he found the lungs and brain riddled with tuberculosis. Tubercular matter was also pressing on the brain. In witness's opinion, death was due to natural causes.

Replying to a remark by the Coroner, the Foreman of the jury said they had heard both the testimony of the doctor who examined the woman before the post-mortem and that of the doctor who examined her after; and with both their testimony agreeing on the same point, he could not but agree that the evidence was conclusive as to the causes of death.

After Chief Warden McLeod had said the deceased was admitted into Victoria Gaol on October 9, on a warrant under the Deportation Ordinance of 1917, the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence.

FOR THE POOR OF SWATOW.**ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF RICE AND POTATOES.**

Swatow, Oct. 13. To-day is the anniversary of the building of the Thai-Hong Temple, one of Swatow's largest and most influential charitable Guilds, and according to custom the anniversary has been celebrated by the free distribution to the poor of Swatow of \$3,000 worth of rice and sweet potatoes.

Thousands of poor folk have visited the temple to-day, and all have received a generous supply of these necessities of life. This year the gift has been even more welcome than usual, for in the last two or three months the price of rice has doubled, and many of the very poor are living on the verge of starvation.

The explanation of this rapid rise in the price of rice is said to be the heavy tax which has been imposed on imported grain. This year's harvests have not been particularly poor, but there is not sufficient home-grown rice to meet the enormous needs of the population.—Our Own Correspondent.

the top floor which Miss Eyden occupied, but the flames were shooting out of the window and they could not get near. When they were able to enter the room they found her dead. On her dressing table was a cash box, and it is thought she attempted to escape by the back way.

Although the outbreak was attacked from all sides by a force of about 100 firemen it was some time before the flames were brought under control, and little was then left of the upper part of the house.

DRUM & CRACKER NUISANCE.**WOMAN PLEADS SHE WAS WORSHIPPING.****REBUKED BY BENCH.**

The cracker-firing nuisance in the Hunghom district was again mentioned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a woman occupier of No. 95, Wuhu Street was charged with firing crackers without a permit and also with beating drums after 11 p.m.

The defendant admitted firing crackers, but said the beating of drums had stopped by 10 p.m.

His Worship asked the defendant if she had a permit to beat the drums.

The defendant replied that she did not know it was necessary.

Answering his Worship the defendant said she was worshipping, a custom which was observed at certain periods when she was in the country.

His Worship said it was very inconsiderate to fire crackers and beat drums, and asked how the defendant thought people were going to sleep. It was all very well at the Chinese New Year or at a marriage ceremony, but it was very unreasonable to fire crackers whenever one felt inclined. The defendant should think more of her neighbours.

Inspector Stimson intimated that the defendant was fortunate in not being charged with offering a bribe.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 on each of the two charges.

SEAT OF INTERNATIONAL BANK.**PARIS SUSPICIONS OF BRITISH DESIGNS.**

Paris, Sept. 1. The generous tone of Mr. Henderson's references to France before leaving The Hague and Mr. Snowden's consent to hand over 5,000,000 marks of the British annuity to increase the share allotted to Japan, Yugoslavia, and Portugal, have not been received in Paris without a suspicion that they may cover some dark design. The *Oeuvre* does indeed say that the entente cordiale is too solidly founded to be in danger of being knocked over by Mr. Snowden, or to need to be set on its feet again by Mr. Henderson.

But "Pertinax" in the *Echo de Paris*, believes that both Mr. Henderson's compliments and Mr. Snowden's concessions are moves in the game of trying to secure the acceptance of London as the seat of the International Bank. On the other hand, the *Ere Nouvelle*, while it sounds the general and obviously inspired note that Geneva will restore the Franco-British cordiality, which has been a little shaken at The Hague, is relieved to think that France has not yielded to the "Anglo-Saxon hegemony" about the Bank, and that the settlement of the whole of this question has been reserved.

BRIBE OF 35 CENTS OFFERED.**TRUCK COOLIE LET OFF WITH CAUTION.****SEQUEL TO ACCIDENT.**

A Chinese truck coolie who appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of offering a bribe of 35 cents to an Indian constable was cautioned by his Worship, who intimated that he would not impose any further penalty as the defendant had been in custody since noon yesterday.

It was given in evidence that the defendant was in charge of a truck which was carrying a heavy load in Taku Street, Hunghom. The load was accidentally capsized, resulting in traffic being held up for some time. The Indian informed the defendant that he would be summoned and proceeded to take his number.

The defendant was then alleged to have given the constable 35 cents to overlook the incident.

His Worship asked the constable if it was not a misfortune that the load had capsized, and cautioned the defendant.

THE SERBO-BULGAR DISPUTE.**ENDS IN GENEVA ACCORD.**

Ljubljana, Sept. 8. The agreement just reached at Geneva between Dr. Voyislav Markovitch and Athanas Bouroff, Yugoslav and Bulgarian Foreign Ministers, respectively, whereby the Pirot conventions are provisionally accepted by the Belgrade Government as a basis for further direct negotiations on disputed matters, represents the most important step recently taken for improving international relations in the Balkans.

The Pirot conventions were drafted last March by a mixed commission to regulate traffic across the common boundary and methods for allowing peasants to utilize land lying astride the borders. Until now Serbia has refused to ratify them, demanding that Bulgaria consent also to the setting up of a military zone, six miles wide, on both sides of the boundary and agree to the liquidation of all Bulgarian-owned fields lying in Serbia. Since the Belgrade Government agrees to put the Pirot conventions in force, Bulgaria is ready to discuss Serbia's two demands, though public opinion in both countries is opposed to compromises. The conciliatory attitude of the two ministers shown at Geneva enables the new negotiations to begin under favourable auspices.

The Yugoslav Minister at Sofia has handed the Bulgarian Government a note, the chief points of which are that the Yugoslav Government, wishing to continue a pacific policy towards Bulgaria, is ready firstly to accept the Bulgarian proposal and put temporarily into operation the Pirot agreement; secondly, that the agreement be in force three months only; thirdly, that negotiations be continued immediately between the two governments, especially the frontier zone and frontier estates; fourthly, if no agreement is reached within three months, the temporary agreement expires.

PLIGHT OF BANK'S COMPRADORE.**FORCED TO SIGN PROMISSORY NOTE FOR \$20,000.****HANKOW INCIDENT.**

Hankow, Sept. 30.

On Saturday afternoon Mr. L. S. Tong, compradore of the local branch of the Chartered Bank, was made to sign under duress at the Detective Bureau of the Garrison Headquarters a promissory note for \$20,000 payable in Oct. Both he and his son, Mr. T. C. Tong, were given the alternative of signing the note or remaining in detention until such time as he decided to do so.

It was at about 9.30 Saturday morning that a squad of armed soldiers went to Mr. Tong's residence at the corner of Co-operation Road and Liangyi Street, S.A.D. 2, under the pretext that the compradore and his two sons, T.C. and B.C. Tong, were requested to go with them to Garrison Headquarters to talk over a certain scheme. On their refusal they were threatened and Mr. Tong decided to go along with one of his sons. On arrival they were confronted with particulars of a certain deposit made by Gen. Chen Tiao-yuan, the present Governor of Shantung, through his agent, Mr. Chiang, some time in 1926.

Old Issue Recalled.

The details date back to the time of the 1927 trouble, when the Native Banks were forced to close their doors. It appears Gen. Chen was then a follower of Sun Chuan-fong. Being desirous of placing \$20,000 in silver in some bank he instructed his agent to approach Mr. Hu Chi-shan, compradore of the Banque Belge Pour l'Etranger here. The latter consented and placed the sum in the Kwang Dah Native Bank, which was run by the late Mr. E. T. Liu, who was then compradore of Molchanoff and the National City Bank.

The 1927 crisis then came. Native Banks went bankrupt and the Kwang Dah was amongst those which went to the wall. The affair was forgotten in the excitement of the evacuation when business men were forced to leave Hankow for Shanghai. However, on their return Mr. Hu was asked to return the money and, as he was then only able to secure Central Bank of China notes the General refused stating that he had paid the sum in silver dollars and demanded it be returned in like currency. Mr. Hu was unable to do so, whereupon the General demanded to know his guarantor. Mr. Hu informed him that Mr. L. S. Tong had put up certain property on his behalf.

This information is purported to have led to the arrest of the guarantor. He was taken to the Garrison Headquarters and when given the alternative he decided to sign the promissory note calling for payment early next month. He was released at noon the same day.

"AN INSECT."**ANGLICAN CHURCH DERIDED.**

London, Sept. 15. Father Dudley, addressing the Roman Catholic Congress, which is being held to celebrate the centenary of Roman Catholic emancipation, declared that the prospects of a corporate return to the Roman Catholic faith were very slight, but that individual conversions ought to be increased.

"The Church of England," he said, "fast becomes a farce. Disestablishment must inevitably come, and then the Church of England will be a sect amongst other sects—perhaps, an insect."

Father Dudley went on to criticize modernism as Roman Catholicism's greatest enemy. He described Dean Inge, of St. Paul's, and Bishop Baines, of Birmingham, as very ignorant men, ignorant of the first things, which, as professing Christians, they ought to know, namely, theology and Christian religion.

His Apology.

Father Dudley, in a letter to the Congress authorities, says: "If my reference to 'ignorant men' offended members of the Anglican Church, I humbly withdraw it, wishing it to be clearly understood that I was not referring to lack of scholarship of those named, but to the ignorance of the most modern leaders in theology, which, in the Catholic Church, we hold to be science, revealed by the truths of God. I also regret the use of the word 'insect' or any expression unwittingly wounding non-Catholic feelings."

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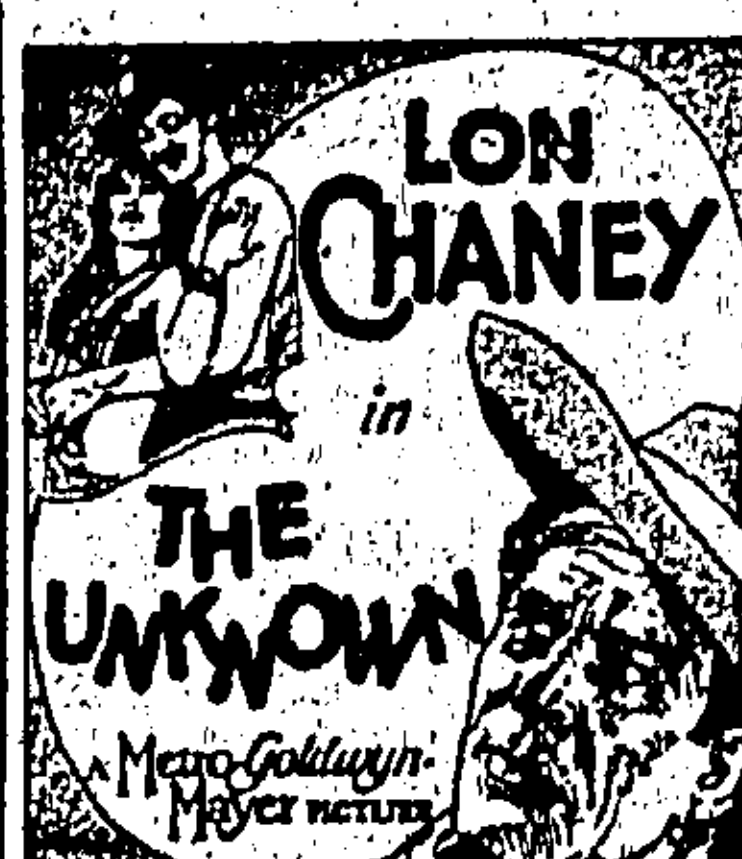
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AT THE **MAJESTIC** NATHAN ROAD KOWLOON.**HATRY CASE ECHO.****THE LIQUIDATION OF SIX COMPANIES ORDERED.**

London, Oct. 15. Mr. Justice Romer has ordered the compulsory liquidation of five companies of the Hatry group, namely the Austin Friars

Trust, Limited, the Corporation and General Securities, Limited, the Oak Investment Corporation, Limited, the Dundee Trust, Limited, and the Retail Trade Securities.

Later. Mr. Justice Romer has also ordered the compulsory winding up of the Porchester Trust, Limited.

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Empress of Asia	May 28	May 31	Yokohama	Jun. 5	Jun. 6
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Empress of Asia	Jul. 9	Jul. 12	Yokohama	Jul. 17	Jul. 18
Empress of Canada	Jul. 23	Jul. 26	Yokohama	Jul. 31	Aug. 1
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Empress of Asia	Aug. 20	Aug. 23	Yokohama	Aug. 28	Aug. 29
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Empress of Asia	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Yokohama	Oct. 6	Oct. 7
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PROPOSED MARKET.

GOVERNMENT'S PLANS FOR KOWLOON TONG.

The proposed market for Kowloon Tong again came up for discussion at the Sanitary Board yesterday when the Hon. Mr. Braga asked: "Is it the intention of the Government that the money voted by Legislative Council for the erection of a market at Kowloon Tong in 1929 shall lapse if it is found impossible to proceed with the work this year, or will it be revoked in 1930?"

The President replied: "The provision of \$1,500 in the estimates for 1929 is for a temporary market. The Sanitary Board has since asked for an elaborate permanent structure which is estimated to cost not less than \$10,000. This request has now been referred to the Public Works Committee of the Legislative Council and pending its recommendation no decision as to expenditure on this market can be taken."

The Hon. Mr. Braga: "Arising out of the reply to my question can you tell me the average rent of the stalls in the temporary market?"

The President: "No question of average rent arises. The stalls are sold by auction and go to the highest bidder."

The Hon. Mr. Braga: "Can you give me an idea of the prices paid for the stalls at Tsing-sha-tui?"

The President: "They vary very much. There is no average price. The Hon. Mr. Braga: "But surely there is some means of telling the yield of each per annum?"

The President: "I will find that out."

BOY KNOCKED DOWN.

DRIVER FINED FOR HAVING DEFECTIVE BRAKES.

An accident which occurred in Kowloon Street, Shamshuipo in September last had a sequel before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when the driver of a motor lorry was charged with failing to provide his vehicle with two efficient and independent brakes.

According to Sergeant Scrim the defendant knocked down a small boy in Kowloon Street on September 21. The lorry was subsequently tested and found that the hand brake was useless, taking 54 feet to pull up the vehicle. The foot brake was good.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$30.

In a second case the driver of a motor lorry, who was stopped on the Castle Peak Road, was fined \$30 for a similar offence. Sub-Inspector Mason informed his Worship that the hand brake was useless as it took 70 feet in which to stop the lorry. The foot brake, however, was good.

On a charge of failing to have an automatic indicator fitted to a left-hand drive lorry, the driver was fined \$5.

His Worship asked whether the regulation was known to drivers. Sub-Inspector Mason replied that the notification had been published in both the English and Chinese Press and unless a left-hand drive vehicle was fitted with an indicator it would not be licensed. The defendant had previously had an indicator but had dismantled it.

"A BLACKGUARD."

MAGISTRATE NOT SATISFIED WITH WITNESS.

In the case resumed before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday, of three Chinese policemen charged with extorting bribes from a stall-holder at Whitfield Market while undertaking, as a condition, to keep pirating hawkers away from the vicinity, the defence opened with testimony being given by all the accused.

The first accused, Lance, Sergeant Kwong Kun, in denying the charges, stated that his knowledge of the stall-holder was limited to the past two or three months when he was doing duty in connexion with the Bay View District Station. He could not account why such charges should have been brought against him, except that they were trumped up by the stall-holder.

Of Ho Shing, assistant to the stall-holder, witness said he recalled him to be the same individual who had previously been brought into the Station for giving short weight to a Shanghai man. Witness had then to use some force to get him into the Station, and this was dubbed as an "assault" by the protesting Ho Shing. On going away, Ho Shing had said to witness, "You be careful of how you carry on."

Questioned in regard to his movements on the material night of September 30, witness said he slept in the Station, and that also, he could not say if Kwong Shun, (the second accused) went out after roll call.

Asked if he could possibly find a motive to substantiate his allegation of a trumped-up charge, witness reverted to the "assault" incident already mentioned.

P.C. So Shing, the third accused, in his turn said that on the material night, he went out on duty between 8 p.m. and midnight. The charge against him was a false one: he had never received any money or seen money passed around.

A Coincidence.

P.C. Kwong Shun said he was not supposed to be out that night, but out he was for all that, as one of his unfulfilling practices was to go to have tea at the Yee Heong round about that hour.

He regarded it as a coincidence that the stall-holder and Chick Sick should also be there at that particular hour. He held no conversation with them, but after having drunk his tea, left. It then started to rain, and he ran for shelter. He was of his way back to the Station when he was stopped and arrested.

At the close of the case, Mr. Hamilton said that the evidence, as given by the two principal witnesses in the case, amounted to this, that the first accused was said to have received \$11 and the third \$5.50 in bribes. If he were to convict on such evidence, he must satisfy himself with the bona fides of the two witnesses. In this case, the stall-holder, who was one of these two, seemed to him to be a bully, if not a blackguard, and the other, his assistant, seemed to have been a giver of short measure, if not a perjurer. With the discrepancies between the testimony of the stall-holder and his catpaw, and also that of that eminent gentleman, Chick Sick, it was a clear absurdity. Those discrepancies were not so small as could be bridged over after a close study of the facts, and he (the Magistrate) would not convict a dog on that evidence. The first and third accused would be discharged. The second defendant, Kwong Shun, would be again remanded for further investigation. His Worship remarked that he would discharge Kwong Shun also if he told the truth. It did not now appear to him as if he had done that, the lies which he had uttered being abominable and incredible. Addressing Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., his Worship said that although he had discharged the men in the case, any further action which the police authorities might like to take would rest with them. The case against the second accused was adjourned until Thursday.

TRIP THROUGH CHINA.

LOCAL-RESIDENTS' EXPERIENCE WITH BANDITS.

"It was not all beer and skittles, but it was good fun."

Thus did Mr. T. J. Price sum up his experiences of the trip he recently made with Mr. E. G. Thomas, from Hongkong to Shanghai, via Yunnanfu, Tungkwan, Sulu, Chungking, Hankow and Nanking, in the course of a lecture at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening. He portrayed in graphic detail some of the support scenery which their trip afforded them, and recounted in vivid style their rather terrifying experience in the hands of bandits.

The lecture was made the more enjoyable by the use of lantern slides, which were made from photographs taken by Mr. Thomas, and by means of these the audience was introduced to many of the amazing scenes which the lecturer and his colleague had enjoyed.

Mr. Price first dealt with the train journey which they made up to Yunnanfu, where, he said, the railway foundations were often washed away and destroyed by the heavy rains. The railway itself was a gigantic feat, and one of their chief thrills was to cross the suspension bridge, which was literally thrown over from one mountain to another across a deep and wide ravine. From there the audience was taken to the time Mr. Price and Mr. Thomas met with the rebel troops, by whom they were received with great consideration, and who even provided them with escorts when they left the territory.

Meeting With Bandits.

Two days later, however, they found their escort had vanished, and it was on the fifth day that they met with their supreme thrill, in the form of a bandit hold-up. In a deep valley, they suddenly found themselves surrounded by brigands, who confronted them with rifles and an executioner's sword, whilst one of the men had a gun slung over his shoulder and a knife gripped by his teeth. It was then, said Mr. Price, that his spirits began to sink, but fortunately after the bandits had made them give up certain of their goods and money, they were allowed to go free.

From then on to Nanking and Shanghai, their progress, which was divided between walking and water travelling, was only once held up.

Mr. Price made interesting references to the Mohammedan villages which they sometimes met, and mentioned that they occasionally found a village or town where peaches and even bananas could be obtained. They had diverting experiences at the inns, where they sometimes stayed. At one place the room had no window, and although they lifted two of the bricks off the roof to obtain some light, these had to be replaced soon afterwards owing to the heavy rain, whilst in the doorway their coolies smoked opium continuously.

The most magnificent part of their trip, said Mr. Price, was the last three days, when they were able to lie back in a junk, and visualise all they had seen and experienced earlier.

The lecturer was introduced by Dr. Wellington, who later voted an expression of thanks to Mr. Price for his able and interesting lecture.

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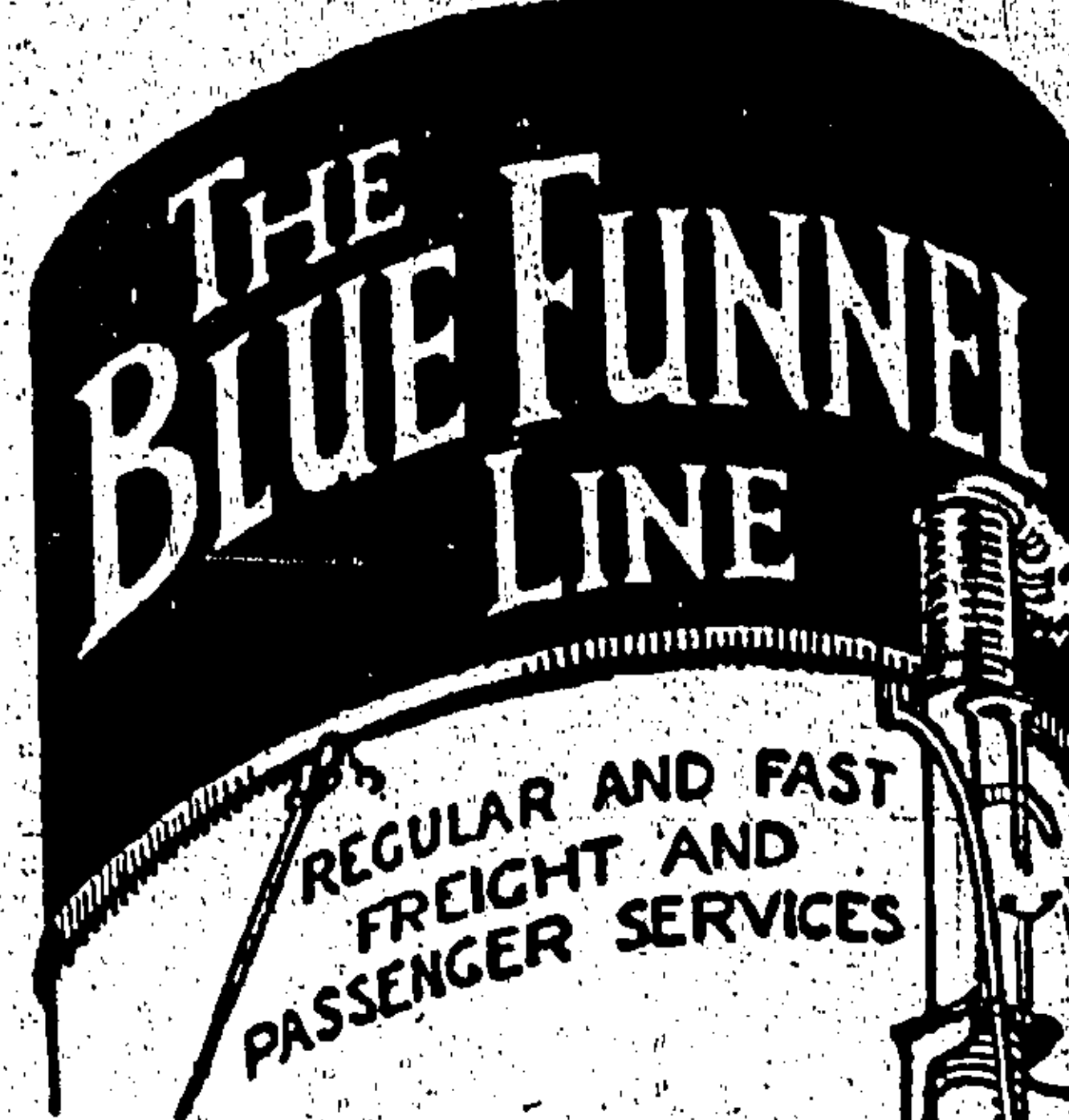
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HEALTH PROPAGANDA.**SANITARY BOARD APPOINTS
A COMMITTEE.**

The proposed Health Week again came up for discussion at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, the matter having been deferred from the last meeting when the Board considered whether it should make suggestions with regard to the event.

At the meeting yesterday, the President, Mr. W. J. Carrie said he had really not received any further suggestions. There was a recommendation from the Hon. Mr. Braga, however, for general health propaganda, while Mr. Lo and Mr. Chau had expressed their approval of the remarks made by Dr. Fawcett at the last meeting.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin had also sent in suggestions regarding health propaganda. It was originally intended to hold a Health Week from October 6 to October 12 but it was now to be held in the autumn. If there were no further suggestions he proposed that the Board should reply to the invitation they had received that apart from the proposals made by the Medical Officer of Health for Schools, they had nothing further to suggest. He also proposed that they should add in the reply that the Board was going into the general question of health propaganda. Dr. Fawcett might be able to give them some suggestions before he left on which a general programme could be based.

A New Suggestion.

Mr. Carrie proposed that the Board should appoint a committee consisting of the Medical Officer of Health, the Hon. Mr. Braga and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin to go into the question of health propaganda. The committee would consider such forms of propaganda as posters, lectures, and cinema films and any other methods they considered desirable and report to the Board. It might not be possible to carry out all the recommendations which the Committee might make but at any rate the Board would get an indication of what was desired and what could be done.

Dr. Fawcett seconded the President's motion.

The Hon. Mr. Braga suggested that Dr. Koch should be a member of the committee, the other members of which would value his professional views.

The President expressed agreement with the proposal and the motion for the appointment of the committee with Dr. Koch as a member was carried.

CROWN LAND SALE.**KOWLOON LOT AT GOOD PRICE YESTERDAY.**

The upset price of \$17,360 for a block of Kowloon ground was increased by a rapid succession of \$100 bids to \$19,800 at the Crown Land Sale at the P.W.D. yesterday afternoon. The land was purchased at this price by Messrs. Ip Shui Shan, Chan Kwai and Cheng Tat Kiu, of 165 Cheung Sha Road, Sham-shui-po.

Over 100 people attended the sale and the keenest interest was displayed in the lot, which was the only one offered for auction.

Particulars of the lot are:—Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2271, adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1969, Tai Nan Street, Tai Kok Tsui. Contents about 9,023 square feet. The ground was sold for a term of 75 years with the option of renewal at a rental to be fixed by the Crown Surveyor for a further 75 years. The annual rental payable on the land is \$114.

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DR. H. C. FAWCETT.**TRIBUTES PAID AT SANITARY BOARD.**

Appreciation of the services of Dr. H. A. Fawcett while acting as Medical Officer of Health was voiced at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board when the following resolution, moved by Mr. M. K. Lo was carried unanimously.

"That this Board desires to put on record an expression of the valuable service rendered, and the ability, energy and zeal displayed by Dr. H. A. Fawcett while acting as Medical Officer of Health."

Proposing the motion, Mr. Lo said that while there might be differences of opinion between members of the Board on certain questions, there was certainly no difference and they were certainly at one regarding Dr. Fawcett's ability, disinterestedness, energy and zeal.

Dr. Fawcett had rendered extremely valuable services to the Colony in general and the Sanitary Board in particular while acting as M. O. H.

Mr. Lo said there had been occasions when he had had differences of opinion with Dr. Fawcett but these did not, in any shape or form, detract from his personal appreciation of his abilities and the nature of the work he had done.

A Little Impatient.

The motion was seconded by Mr. T. N. Chau who also paid a tribute to Dr. Fawcett's work.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, supporting, said Dr. Fawcett had always shown himself a capable medical officer, possessing boundless zeal and energy. It was his regret that the Colony was to lose him so soon. There was no fault that anyone could find with him as M. O. H. except, perhaps, that he was a little impatient with the people who made Hongkong their home. There was no doubt that sanitary conditions were far from what they should be and there must be members of the Board who could remember having clamoured in the distant past for improvements which had not yet taken place. If members of the Board looked back however, they would find much reason to congratulate themselves on progress made.

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more fit to live in," added Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

The President, Mr. W. J. Carrie, said he had listened with great pleasure to the appreciation of Dr. Fawcett's services and there was little he could add. It had been a great pleasure to be associated with him as M. O. H. since March and he did not think he need say that they had not disagreed.

He shared the regret of the members of the board that Dr. Fawcett was leaving. They had not always been able to carry out all they desired, but they had talked things over and acted as far as they could. He most heartily supported the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously. Replying, Dr. Fawcett said he had had his say at the last meeting of the Board and all he wished to say now was to thank members of the Board from the bottom of his heart. He felt that the appreciation they had expressed was to be highly valued because it had been suggested that he had abused and bullied them in one way or another.

If that had been done, then it had been done with only one object—to bring Hongkong up to a proper standard of public health for the benefit of humanity in general. The only excuse or justification for insistence was that one should try and leave the world a little better when one left than when one arrived.

"If that can be said of my short stay in Hongkong then I am one of the most contented of men," he added.

THE HEALTH BOARD.**SANITARY BOARD LEFT IN THE DARK.**

With reference to the remarks made on the subject of a proposed advisory Health Board in the recent Budget Debate, Mr. M. K. Lo asked at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board whether the President had received any official information from the Government in regard to this matter and if so, whether he would make a statement to the Board.

The President replied that he had received no information from the Government.

Mr. Lo had also given notice of two further questions as follows:—"Is it the intention of the Government to abridge by legislation the executive powers and functions of the Sanitary Board and set forth in Part 2 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, No. 1 of 1903?"

"Is it intended by the Government that the proposed Advisory Board is to function independently of the Sanitary Board and in any case whether it will tender advice only upon subjects which are not within the scope of that Ordinance?"

The President pointed out that in view of his reply to Mr. Lo's first question, the other two questions did not arise.

Mr. Lo also asked—"In view of the fact that this matter gravely affects the question of public health of the Colony and therefore vitally concerns this Board, will he make the necessary representations to the Government that this Board be given due opportunity for expressing its views on any proposed legislative changes affecting the public health of the Colony?"

The President replied, "I will communicate the request to the Government."

Mr. Lo—Arising out of your answer to my last question, will the Board be informed when a reply is received?

The President—Yes.

a letter place to live in," added Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

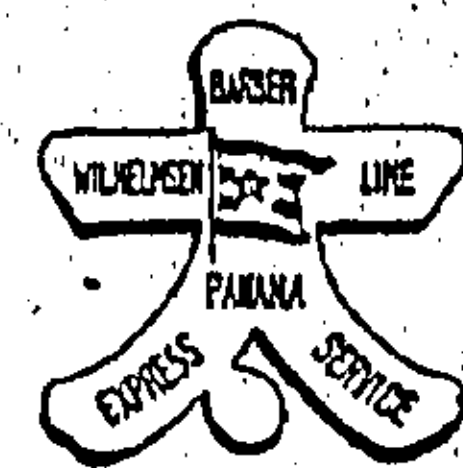
The President, Mr. W. J. Carrie, said he had listened with great pleasure to the appreciation of Dr. Fawcett's services and there was little he could add. It had been a great pleasure to be associated with him as M. O. H. since March and he did not think he need say that they had not disagreed.

He shared the regret of the members of the board that Dr. Fawcett was leaving. They had not always been able to carry out all they desired, but they had talked things over and acted as far as they could. He most heartily supported the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously. Replying, Dr. Fawcett said he had had his say at the last meeting of the Board and all he wished to say now was to thank members of the Board from the bottom of his heart. He felt that the appreciation they had expressed was to be highly valued because it had been suggested that he had abused and bullied them in one way or another.

If that had been done, then it had been done with only one object—to bring Hongkong up to a proper standard of public health for the benefit of humanity in general. The only excuse or justification for insistence was that one should try and leave the world a little better when one left than when one arrived.

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HOLD-UP IN GENEVA CONFERENCE.

FINAL ATTEMPT TO PLACATE EMPLOYERS.

COMPROMISE PLAN.

Geneva, Oct. 15.
The French, Italian, Dutch and Spanish employers' delegates at the Maritime Conference of the International Labour Office have been instructed by their Governments to hold firm and not to retire from the Conference with the employers of other nationalities.

Negotiations are still proceeding between the employers and M. Albert Thomas, the Director of the I.L.O., on the text of a compromise resolution which has been drafted for possible submission to the Conference.

The Government delegates have expressed objective to any resolution in this resolution to past difficulties, and have notified the employers that the negotiations must be concluded today.

Meanwhile, four of the Conference Committees are working in the absence of the employers' delegates.

Later, the Government delegates at the Maritime Conference have proposed the formation of a Committee of Conciliation, consisting of nine members, three from each group, to solve the difficulties arising from the attitude of the ship-owners.

This is believed to be the final attempt to reach a settlement.

—Reuter.

CHENGCHOW FALL IMMINENT?

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Chiang Kai-shek activities and propaganda is prevalent in Shansi Province.

He asserted, however, that despite the efforts of the Kuomintang Divisional Commanders, the Kuomintang Department at Tientsin is not yet in a position to take the Nanking regime and the Kuomintang members are urging the Shansi Government to wash its hands of the present turn of events and demand that all Kuomintang officers, including Marshal Feng Yu-shiang, should leave Shansi with their troops.

Shansi Pro-Feng.

Marshal Yen is quoted as having told the Nanking representative that the many reasons why the Kuomintang troops have revolted cannot be explained at the moment. The Kuomintang have good reason for taking drastic measures.

It is notable that the newspapers in the jurisdictions of Marshal Yen Hsi-shan are giving much prominence to the proclamations of the Kuomintang Divisional Commanders attacking Chiang Kai-shek. The tone of the leaders of these newspapers is distinctly pro-Feng.

Chang Hsueh-ling Neutral.

Peking, Oct. 15.
The vernacular papers print Mukden despatches stating that in an interview, Chang Hsueh-ling said that on reading the Kuomintang circular telegram "he found some reasonable points in it."

He went on: "The Central Government was not to be a Government by one man, and if there has been maladministration in the Government those responsible should be impeached by the censures of the yuan."

He hoped the present trouble would be settled amicably, but if his advice in this direction was not observed, and fighting ensued, he would maintain a neutral attitude.

—Reuter.

Gen. Ho Cheng-chun in Peking.

Peking, Oct. 15.
General Ho Cheng-chun returned this morning from Taiyuanfu. He refused interviews but his spokesman declared that General Yen Hsi-shan would accept orders from the Central Government and that the Shansi troops will never fight against Nanking. It is understood that General Ho Cheng-chun is immediately proceeding to Nanking to report and is afterwards proceeding to Hankow as Command-in-Chief of the Government armies in Hupeh.

—Reuter.

Rebels Said to Have Fled.

Canton, Oct. 15.
A cable report from the branch headquarters of the 8th Army Route at Wuchow, states that Yu Choh-pak, the ex-Chairman of Kwangsi, and General Li Ming-shui have fled, their destination being unknown.

General Chan Ming-shu gives as his opinion that the revolt of Yu Choh-pak and Chang Fat-kwai will be put down at an early date. At present, over half of the revolted forces have been accounted for, while General Ho Chien is hot on the heels of Chang Fat-kwai in Hunan.

—Canton News Agency.

EMPRESS LINER RE-FLOATED.

BEING TOWED TO DRY DOCK AT ESQUIMALT.

THE CANADA'S MISHAP.

Victoria, B.C., Oct. 15.
The Empress of Canada, which ran on the rocks at Homer's Bay, in the Straits of Juan de Fuca in a heavy fog on Monday, was refloated this afternoon and is now being towed to the Esquimalt dry dock.

The Empress of Canada was recently re-engined and renovated at Clyde and was returning to Vancouver to resume her Pacific cruises. She has grounded within fifty feet of the shore. Fortunately the sea was calm and the few passengers aboard were transferred without a hitch.

The damage is not believed to be extensive. In the meanwhile the Empress of France will remain on the Pacific service and will take aboard the 1,100 passengers awaiting to sail on the Empress of Canada this week.

No Shock Felt.

Passengers, interviewed, said the shock when the vessel struck the rocks on Sunday morning was so slight that nobody was aware she was aground. It was "the quietest shipwreck that could possibly happen."

Some of the Passengers.

London, Oct. 15.
Twelve passengers on the Empress of Canada who booked for Vancouver include Lady Frederick, White and Mr. Percy H. McKay, of Shanghai.

The re-engining and renovating of the vessel on the Clyde cost \$800,000. The ship is insured for a million sterling, and 25 guineas per cent was quoted at Lloyd's yesterday in this connexion.

Official Statement.

"A Canadian Pacific official statement on the stranding of the Empress of Canada says:

"The vessel was proceeding to Victoria, British Columbia, with a live steam pilot on board, and grounded at noon on Oct. 13 in dense fog near Albert Head, when the speed was about four knots. Tugs were immediately sent, and her ninety-six passengers aboard left the ship and spent the night in a hotel at Victoria, going to Vancouver in the morning.

"The work of lightening the ship preparatory to removal to drydock was started immediately."

The statement emphasises that there will be no delay and no lack of comfort for the passengers of the Empress of Canada to the Orient, inasmuch as the Empress of France, which will replace her and sail from Vancouver for Yokohama on October 17, is fast and luxuriously equipped.

—Reuter.

Empress of France to Continue.

Due to the grounding of the Empress of Canada off Victoria the local office of the Canadian Pacific has been informed that the Empress of France will take the sailing of the Empress of Canada, leaving Vancouver, October 17th, for the Orient.

Passengers who have been booked from Vancouver to the Orient will therefore be carried by the Empress of France.

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Messrs. Carroll Bros have been advised of the following quotations and dividends on rubber and mining shares:

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Bukit K. B.	2 1/2%
Kuala Sidim	7 1/2%
Taipung	5%
Thabawlek	1 1/2%
Ulu Yam	6d.
Sungei Bagans	7 1/2%
Ayer Moleks	3%
Price of raw rubber	10d.

NO PERMIT.

HOUSES OCCUPIED WITHOUT AUTHORITY.

Representing the owners of two new houses in Austin Road, a Chinese pleaded guilty before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, to charges of allowing the premises to be occupied without a permit from the Building Authority.

Mr. A. F. Reynolds, of the P.W.D., in reply to his Worship, intimated that if houses were occupied before a permit was obtained latrines were erected and these rendered the premises unsanitary.

The defendant was fined \$15 on each charge.

COOLIE EXECUTED AT DAWN.

FINAL SCENE IN CROSS STREET MURDER.

CORONER'S INQUIRY.

Yeung Kwai-tin, a coolie condemned to death for the murder of Yeung Lekhong at Cross Street, Wanchai, on July 25, was executed at Victoria Gaol at dawn this morning.

The customary enquiry was held later in the day by the Coroner (Mr. E. W. Hamilton), when Dr. A. Cannon, Medical Officer attached to the Gaol, who was present at the execution, said the hanging was carried out without any hitch and completed within a matter of a few seconds. He considered that unconsciousness was instantaneous with the dislocation and fracture by hanging of the neck.

After Chief Warder McLeod had produced the prison records as well as the Governor's warrant for the execution, the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence.

It will be recalled that the deceased was charged with murdering, by stabbing, another coolie at Cross Street, the affair occurring near a still in Cross Street where the victim was taking his evening meal.

Evidence in identification was extensively reviewed at the subsequent trial before the Chief Justice at the last Criminal Sessions, the accused being finally convicted, after a strong plea of provocation had been advanced by his counsel, and was condemned to death.

The sentence was carried out at 5 o'clock this morning; the condemned man, according to an eye-witness of the execution, gave to the scaffold with that sangfroid which he had displayed throughout the period of the trial.

DIPHTHERIA NOW ON INCREASE.

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by speaking. Also there was more overcrowding, and the disease could be caught by close contact. In the summer, people spent more of their time in the open air and were therefore less likely to catch it.

No Epidemic Expected.

Dr. Fawcett went on to say that he did not anticipate anything like an epidemic, but if matters became serious, arrangements would be made with the Government Bacteriologist for a supply of antitoxin in order that inoculation could be carried out. He did not think the climatic conditions in Hongkong were favourable to a big outbreak. If it did become serious, however, steps would be taken to trace it. Dr. Fawcett added he did not think that there had ever been a real epidemic in Hongkong.

Our informant emphasised that particular care should be taken with children, with whom it took a very rapid course, but if treated early it could nearly always be practically cured.

NO WATER FOR DUCKS.

MARKET STALLHOLDER IN TROUBLE.

The holder of two stalls at the Hungghom Market was summoned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, at the instance of Mr. P. J. O'Brien, Inspector of the S.P.C.A., for failing to provide drinking water for two crates of ducks.

The defendant replied that he had given the ducks water, and showed Mr. O'Brien the containers which were still wet, although there was actually no water in them.

Mr. O'Brien informed his Worship that there were several wet receptacles, but they were outside the crates.

If his Worship pointed out to the defendant that it was no good to the ducks if the water was left outside the crates.

The defendant was fined \$8 on each charge.

LIFE BANISHEE RETURNS.

MAN WHO PERSISTS IN COMING BACK.

A Chinese who had five times returned from banishment, after being originally sentenced in 1922 to ten years, deportation, appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning on a similar charge, when he was sentenced to six months and 24 strokes.

It was stated that the man had received sentences varying between six and twelve months and eighteen and twenty strokes with the birch. The last time he was banished was on the 10th November, 1928, when he was sent away for life.



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